



PPE for in-home assessment and testing:

CDC Interim Guidance for Public Health Personnel Evaluating Persons Under Investigation (PUIs) and Asymptomatic Close Contacts of Confirmed Cases at Their Home or Non-Home Residential Settings

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/php/guidance-evaluating-pui.html>

Including collection of respiratory samples for testing

The CDC recommends that interviewing should be done by telephone, text or video conferencing as much as possible. When in-home or residential evaluation and sample collection is done the CDC recommends the following:

Asymptomatic	Symptomatic	Diagnostic Specimen Collection for all individual (Symptomatic and Asymptomatic)
Facemask Eye protection (e.g., goggles, a disposable face shield that covers the front and sides of the face) May add gloves if entering the asymptomatic close contact’s home	Gown Gloves Eye protection (e.g., goggles, a disposable face shield that covers the front and sides of the face) NIOSH-approved N95 respirator	Gown Gloves Eye protection (e.g., goggles, a disposable face shield that covers the front and sides of the face) NIOSH-approved N95 respirator
Stay at least 6 feet away ask them if they have had fevers or respiratory symptoms. Do not enter the home until these questions have been asked and the asymptomatic close contact has been determined to be fever-free by temperature measurement.	PPE should ideally be put on outside of the home prior to entry into the home. At the very least don the respirator and eye protection before entering the home. Keep a 6-foot distance with residents in the same room while putting on a gown and gloves.	Testing for the virus that causes COVID-19 should be conducted outdoors if climate allows. If conducted in the home, specimen collection should be performed in the area of the house where the individual being tested self-isolates. Only the public health personnel and individual being tested should be in the room when testing is performed. Non-aerosol-generating procedures should be performed before aerosol-generating procedures. Aerosol-generating procedures should be the last activity performed just before leaving the home.
PPE should ideally be removed outside of the home and discarded by placing in external trash can before departing location. PPE should not be taken from the PUI’s home in public health personnel’s vehicle Hand hygiene should be performed before putting on and after removing PPE using alcohol-based hand sanitizer that contains 60 to 95% alcohol.		