

Best Practices for Extended Wear of PPE

Do not touch/adjust Extended Wear PPE until Removal

Same day re-use/container method is no longer a conservation strategy at GRH (for masks on break)

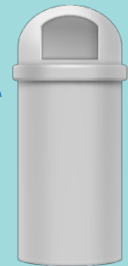
Extended Use - is the practice of wearing PPE for multiple patient encounters and discarding it prior to eating/drinking during breaks. After break, obtain new PPE.

Practice Extended Use when wearing...



Do Not

- Save in a blue pad and reuse
- Reposition on head in between use (*backwards or upside down*)
- Clean for reuse



- Personal eye protection is **on** or **off** (*not in hair, or hanging from collar*)
- Must be washed after removing
- Store safely once clean (*pocket, container, work bag or locker*)

*Do not leave PPE lying around, it contaminates the environment and puts staff at risk
Remember to always perform hand hygiene before removing and after disposing of PPE*