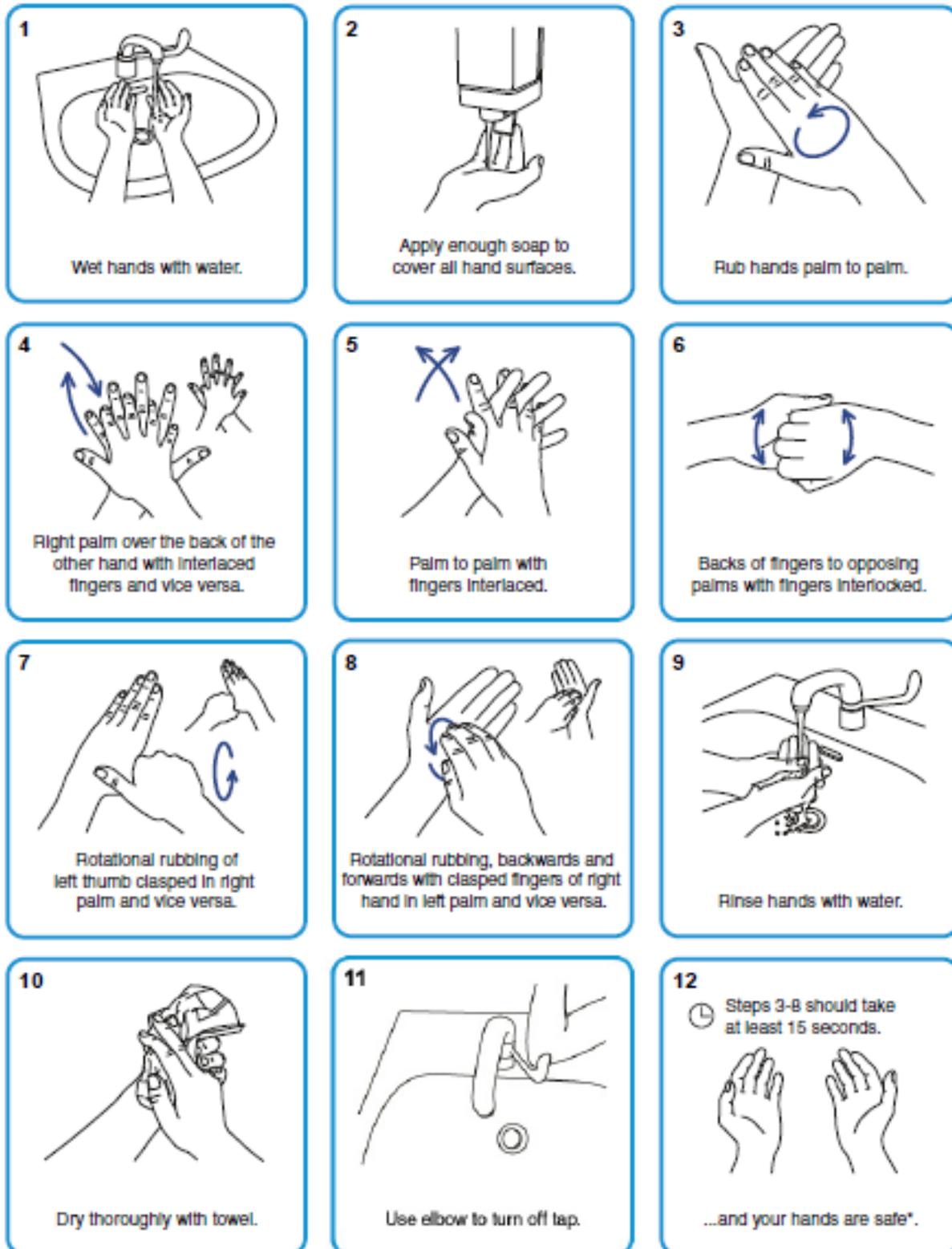


Appendix 1

Best Practice: how to hand wash

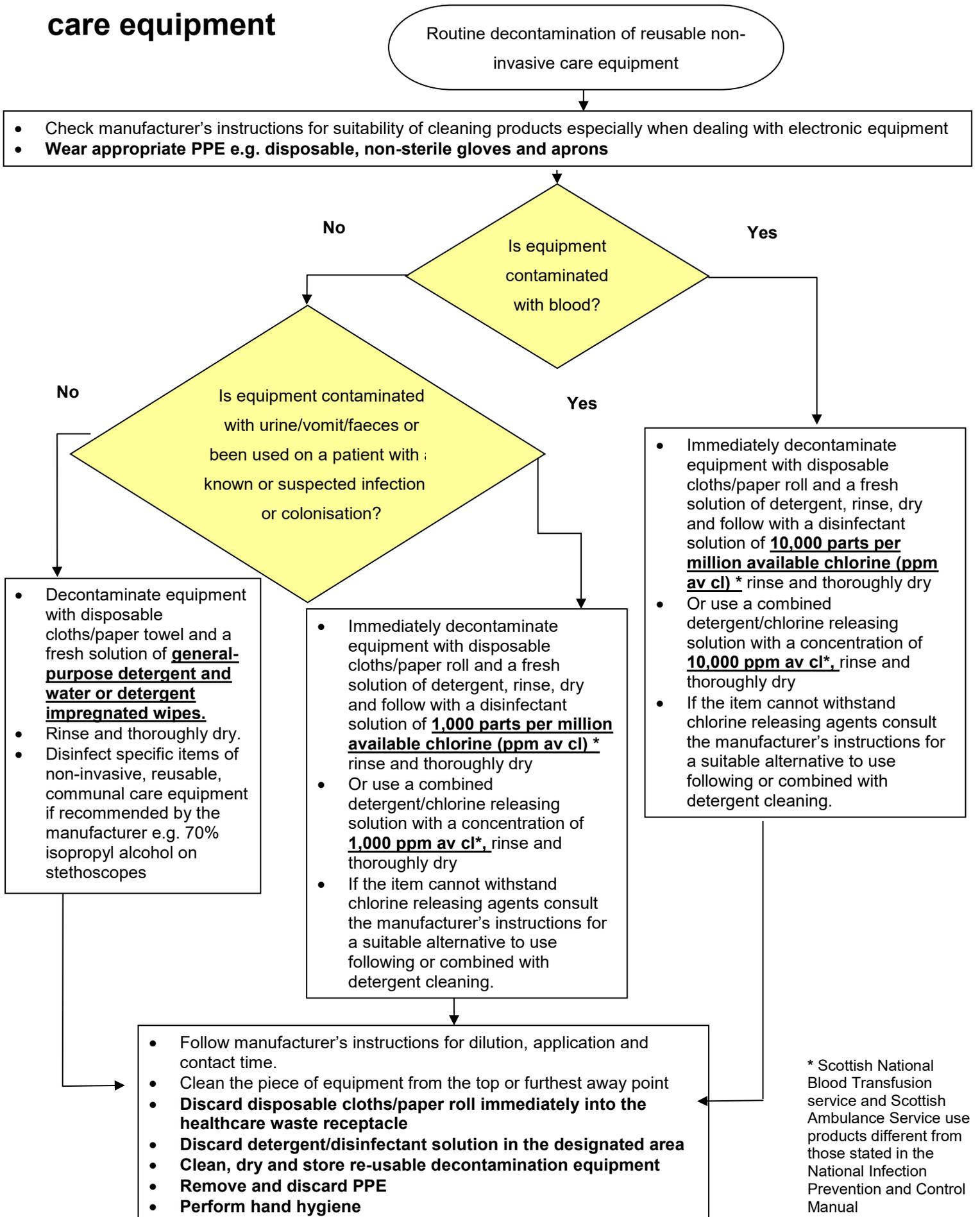
Steps 3-8 should take at least 15 seconds.



*Any skin complaints should be referred to local occupational health or GP.

Appendix 2

Routine decontamination of reusable non-invasive patient care equipment



COVID-19 Safe PPE

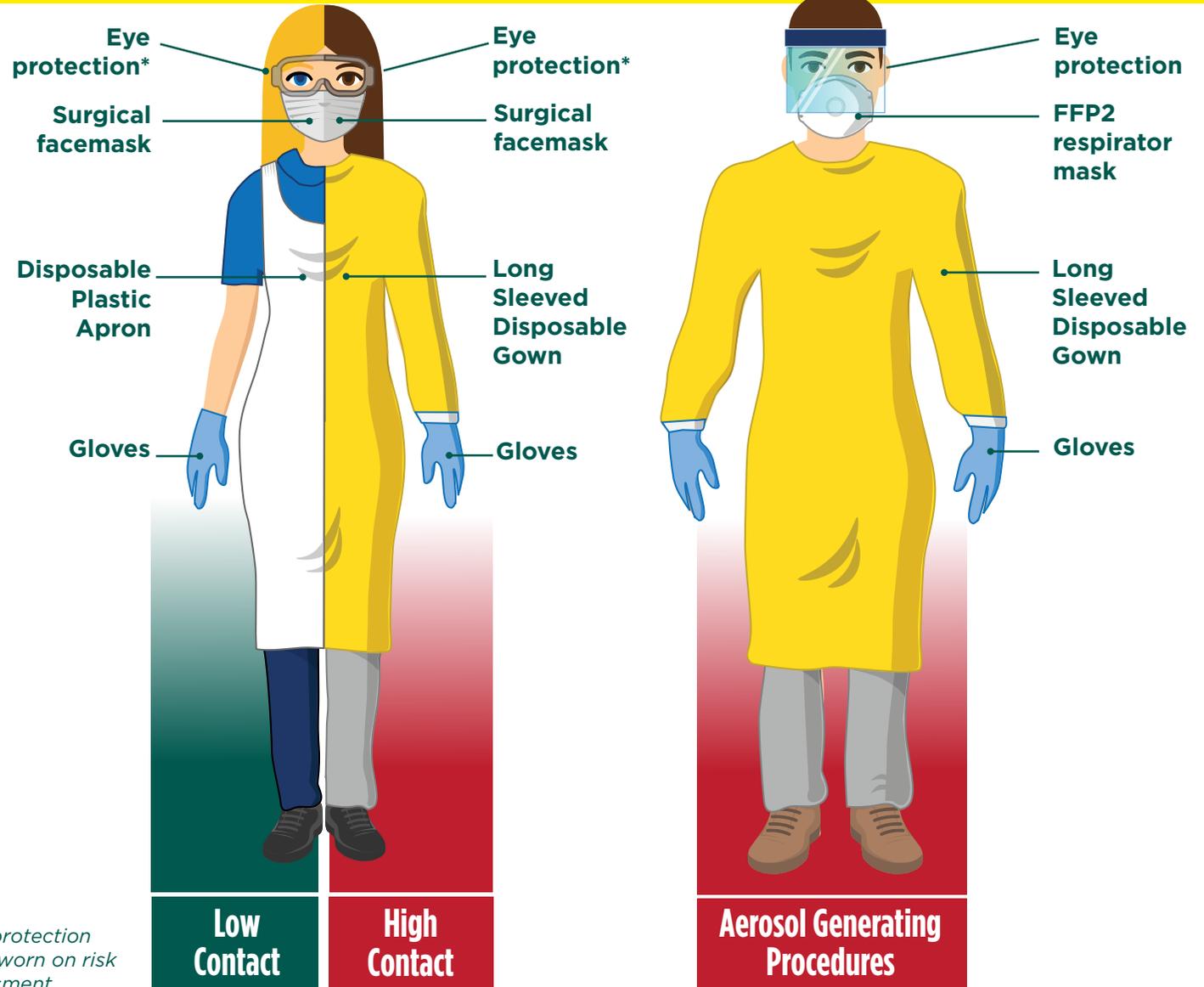
Care of patients with respiratory symptoms/suspected/confirmed COVID-19

Appendix 3A

HAND HYGIENE FIRST IN ALL CASES



Coronavirus
COVID-19
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Advice



**Eye protection to be worn on risk assessment*

Low Contact

Unlikely to provide opportunities for the transfer of virus/other pathogens to the hands and clothing.

High Contact

Increased risk for transfer of virus and other pathogens to the hands and clothing.

Aerosol Generating Procedures

Also if there is a risk of an unplanned aerosol generating procedure.

With thanks to Samantha Weston and James Fox, Creative & Midlands Partnership, NHS Foundation Trust.



Safe use of Masks

THE MASK YOU NEED

DO: REMEMBER TO WEAR THE CORRECT MASK FOR THE TASK:

Wear **Surgical mask:** for droplet precautions, or when providing care within 2 meters of any patient, or when working within 2 meters of another healthcare worker for more than 15 minutes.



Only wear **FFP2 (Fit Checked) or FFP3 mask (Fit Tested)** for aerosol generating procedures.



WEARING THE MASK

DO: Wear your mask so it comes all the way up, close to the bridge of your nose, and all the way down under your chin.



DO: Press the metal band so that it conforms to the bridge of your nose.



DO: Tighten the loops or ties so it's snug around your face, without gaps. If there are strings, tie them high on top of the head to get a good fit.



DO NOT: Wear the mask below your nose.



DO NOT: Leave your chin exposed.



DO NOT: Wear your mask loosely with gaps on the sides.



DO NOT: Wear your mask so it covers just the tip of your nose.



DO NOT: Push your mask under your chin to rest on your neck.



ONCE YOU HAVE ADJUSTED YOUR MASK TO THE CORRECT POSITION, FOLLOW THESE TIPS TO STAY SAFE:

- ALWAYS change your mask when you answer the telephone or you take a drink/break.
- ALWAYS change mask when leaving a cohort area or exiting a single patient isolation room
- NEVER fidget with your mask when it's on.
- ALWAYS wash your hands before and after handling a mask.
- ALWAYS change mask if it is dirty, wet or damaged
- NEVER store your mask in your pocket.

REMOVING THE MASK



Use the ties or ear loops to take the mask off.

Do not touch the front of the mask when you take it off.

DISPOSING OF THE MASK



Dispose of mask in a healthcare risk waste bin.

IF HEALTHCARE RISK WASTE SERVICE IS NOT AVAILABLE:

The mask, along with any other PPE used, needs to be double-bagged and stored for 72hrs in a secure location, then put in the domestic waste.





Putting on personal protective equipment (PPE) for non-aerosol generating procedures (AGPs)*

Please see donning and doffing video to support this guidance: https://youtu.be/-GncQ_ed-9w

Pre-donning instructions:

- Ensure healthcare worker hydrated
- Tie hair back
- Remove jewellery
- Check PPE in the correct size is available

- 1** Perform hand hygiene before putting on PPE.



- 2** Put on apron and tie at waist.



- 3** Put on facemask – position upper straps on the crown of your head, lower strap at nape of neck.



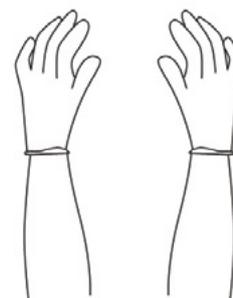
- 4** With both hands, mould the metal strap over the bridge of your nose.



- 5** Don eye protection if required.



- 6** Put on gloves.



*For the PPE guide for AGPS please see:

www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-personal-protective-equipment-use-for-aerosol-generating-procedures



Taking off personal protective equipment (PPE) for non-aerosol generating procedures (AGPs)*

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• PPE should be removed in an order that minimises the risk of self-contamination

• Gloves, aprons (and eye protection if used) should be taken off in the patient's room or cohort area

1 Remove gloves. Grasp the outside of glove with the opposite gloved hand; peel off.

Hold the removed glove in the remaining gloved hand.



Slide the fingers of the un-gloved hand under the remaining glove at the wrist.

Peel the remaining glove off over the first glove and discard.



2 Clean hands.



3 Apron.
Unfasten or break apron ties at the neck and let the apron fold down on itself.



Break ties at waist and fold apron in on itself – do not touch the outside – **this will be contaminated.** Discard.



4 Remove eye protection if worn.

Use both hands to handle the straps by pulling away from face and discard.



5 Clean hands.



6 Remove facemask once your clinical work is completed.



Untie or break bottom ties, followed by top ties or elastic, and remove by handling the ties only. Lean forward slightly. Discard. DO NOT reuse once removed.

7 Clean hands with soap and water.



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