

# Topic 7: Ppe part 1 – Eye protection



# Agenda

- Objectives
- Discussion
  - PPE Overview
  - Eye Protection
- Next Steps

# Learning objectives

- Define PPE and describe two (2) functions of PPE in healthcare.
- Discuss one (1) reason that eye protection is recommended for COVID-19.

# How does ppe work?

- **1.** PPE protects YOU from things in the environment.
  - **2.** PPE protects OTHERS from germs you might be carrying.
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- For PPE to work, it must be worn correctly every time.

# Why is eye protection Recommended for covid-19?

- In addition to getting in the nose and mouth, or being inhaled, the virus can get into the nose and throat through the tear ducts and cause infection.
- Respiratory droplets that can carry virus can land on your eyes and travel from your eyes to reach the “target zones” of the nose, mouth, back of the throat, and lungs.
- Some viruses can also infect cells in the eye directly.

**Whatever is used to protect the eyes should allow you to see clearly and do your work safely.**

- What **questions** do you still have about eye protection?



# Key Takeaways

- PPE is used in healthcare both to **protect YOU** and to **protect OTHERS**.
- Eye protection is recommended for COVID-19 because the **virus can enter the body through the eyes**.
- Whatever is used to protect your eyes should allow you to **see clearly and do your work safely**.

# Resources and Future Training sessions

Project Firstline on CDC:

<https://www.cdc.gov/infectioncontrol/projectfirstline/index.html>



Project Firstline on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/CDCProjectFirstline/>



Twitter:

[https://twitter.com/CDC\\_Firstline](https://twitter.com/CDC_Firstline)



Youtube:

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLvvp9iOILTQZQGtDnSDGViKDdRtlc13VX>



CDC's One and Only Campaign:

<https://www.cdc.gov/injectionsafety/one-and-only.html>





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