

OR PPE Protocol for COVID-19 patients or COVID-19
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How do I scrub into OR for COVID positive or PUI patient case?

- Follow all standard OR dress code and hygiene procedures to include:
 - Put on shoe covers over OSHA approved footwear if part of routine OR dress – not specifically required for COVID positive/PUI patients—or dedicated OR OSHA approved foot wear
 - Put on hair cover
 - *Hair cover and shoe covers are strictly related to OR requirements and are not otherwise required for COVID positive/PUI patients. There is no differentiation on hair or shoe covers.*
 - Perform standard hand hygiene
- Put on N-95 mask
- Put on face shield
- Perform pre-surgical hand and arms scrub like you always do
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What do I do after I finish scrubbing?

- Walk into OR and get gowned and gloved as you always do
- No need to put on a yellow PPE contact isolation gown before scrubbing
- All non-scrubbed/gowned providers and staff in the OR must wear all PPE (including yellow contact isolation gown).

Does the surgeon need to be in the room during the intubation?

- The surgeon may be in the room during intubation if clinically indicated otherwise the surgeon and team can enter the room immediately after intubation.