

Memo

TSH Infection Prevention and Control
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To:	All Staff working in the TSH COVID-19 Flu Assessment Clinic
CC:	Dr Huong Van Nguyen; Dr Andrew Finckh, Dr Rob Stevens, Ms Jan Heiler
From	Joanne Newbury, Deputy Director of Nursing & Midwifery
Date	18 March 2020

Subject TSH COVID-19 Flu Assessment Clinic

I write to advise that during our response to COVID-19 the following PPE is required for all staff working in the TSH COVID-19 Flu Assessment Clinic. We are taking these measure to ensure the safety of our staff.

All staff entering the TSH COVID-19 Flu Assessment Clinic please note:

- No civilian attire is to be worn – staff working in clinic must wear theatre scrubs or nursing scrubs as supplied.
- Theatre scrubs are available to change into prior to entering TSH COVID-19 clinic
- Wear a surgical mask throughout the shift changing as necessary, ie: if mask becomes damp
- DON full PPE - adding gowns and gloves when attending to patient care as clinically indicated. DOFF as per protocol
- Be bare below the elbows
- Practice standard precautions and perform frequent hand hygiene – in line with the 5 moments hand hygiene
- At the end of the shift theatre scrubs to be removed, change back into civilian clothes and place theatre scrubs in laundry skip provided
- Supplied nursing scrubs are to be laundered after each wear
- Any staff coming from other areas within the hospital to perform clinical care, even for short durations in the TSH COVID-19 Flu Assessment Clinic, are required to don theatre scrubs before entering the clinic and then change back into civilian clothes or nursing scrubs prior to returning to their own work area.

I thank you for your diligence in implementing these requirements.