



# Coronavirus COVID-19

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## Appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for COVID-19

### More pieces and layers of PPE doesn't mean more protection

Wearing extra PPE complicates the doffing process and increases the risk of self-contamination



Evidence-based guidance from international experts\* **does NOT** recommend double gloving, head, neck or shoe covers for precautions needed for protection from COVID-19.

If you wear items such as ear savers, barrettes, hooks etc. make sure you know how to remove them without contaminating yourself

#### Exceptions:

- ✓ Areas requiring routine use of hair or shoe coverings (e.g., operating rooms, medical device reprocessing, food service areas).
- ✓ Exceptions made by institutional Infection Prevention and Control and Workplace Health and Safety teams.

\* World Health Organization, Public Health Agency of Canada, Center for Disease Control and Prevention, Public Health England, and Department of Health Australia

