

Huntsman Cancer Hospital Universal Masking Guidelines

Effective April 3rd, universal masking is **required** at all Huntsman Cancer Hospital (HCH) locations.

Universal masking involves wearing a procedural mask at work each day **during all face-to-face interactions.**

A point person in each clinical area will issue **one** ear-loop type procedural mask for each employee, each day. Please do not deny staff access to a mask.

PLEASE FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS AND GUIDANCE

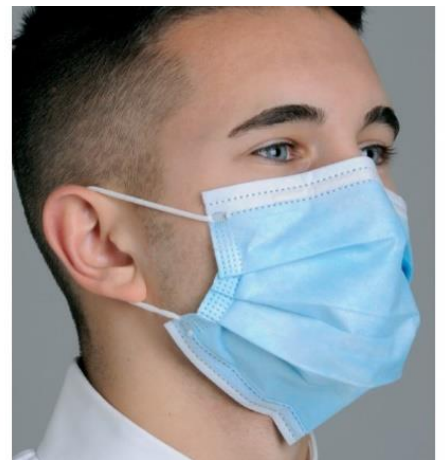


- Staff members will be issued **one** ear-loop type procedural mask, per day
- Some clinical areas (i.e. ORs & surgical physicians) will be allowed additional masks, and will follow different procedures
- **Do not** write or draw on masks
- Masks must be worn correctly to be effective, covering both the nose and mouth
- **Do not** place mask under the chin
- **Avoid** touching the mask to prevent contamination to and from your hands
- Masks should be **replaced** when they become wet or soiled

MASK DOFFING FOR BREAK OR LUNCH

Masks should be saved for reuse when doffing for break or lunch. Every employee must keep control of their own mask. Follow these step-by-step instructions to do this:

1. **Disinfect** and prepare a surface where mask may be kept
2. Lay down a paper towel or tissue
3. Perform **hand hygiene**
4. **Doff mask** by touching ear loops only – **DO NOT touch the front of the mask**
5. Place front contaminated surface of mask down on the tissue/paper towel
6. Perform **hand hygiene**



RECYCLING & STERILIZATION

At the end of your shift, place ear-loop masks in **designated recycle bins** in your clinical area.

There will be a centralized location for **sterilizing** these ear-loop masks. It is the hospital's goal to **NOT** reuse these. We will only do so, if needed in a crisis. We want to be prepared!

