








COVID-19 PPE IN NEWBORN SERVICES

	FOR USE IN	 Hand hygiene, bare below elbow	 Disposable gloves	 Single use plastic apron	 Disposable long sleeved isolation gown	 Surgical mask	 P2 / N95 respirator	 Eye protection - face shield (preferred) or safety goggles
TIER 1 high risk area NBS	Where the neonate is NOT identified as close contact, or is cleared of COVID-19, is NOT suspected or is NOT confirmed to have COVID-19	✓	As per Standard Precautions. Gloves do not negate the need for hand hygiene.	Routine care - as per Standard Precautions ✓ AGPs	As per Standard precautions	✓	✗	✓
TIER 2 Droplet and contact precautions	Limited contact, for short episodes of care , in a controlled environment with a neonate who is a suspected or confirmed COVID-19 patient. Care of a neonate who is a close contact of a suspected or confirmed COVID-19 case	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓
TIER 3 Airborne and contact precautions	AGP on a neonate who is a suspected or confirmed patient. AGP on a neonate who is a close contact of a suspected or confirmed with COVID-19 Working in a pod where suspected or confirmed COVID-19 neonates are chorted and where frequent, prolonged episodes of care are provided. Neonatal team attendance at any birth , where the status of the mother is either unknown or suspected/confirmed as COVID positive.	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓

Used in conjunction with Western Health PPE Guideline