

## COVID-19 Personal Protective Equipment & Disposal Policy

Osteopathy & Wellbeing @CT6 Personal Protective Equipment and Disposal Policy	
<b>Clinicians will wear the following PPE</b>	Clinicians will wear the following PPE during all face to face contacts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Single use gloves which will be changed in-between every patient or sooner as required</li> <li>• Single use plastic aprons which will be changed in-between every patient or sooner as required</li> <li>• Fluid-resistant surgical masks will be changed if damp or damaged and will not be reused once removed nor worn for more than 4 hours</li> <li>• Eye protection, if there is a risk of spray or droplet transmission or fluids entering eyes, nose or mouth. The decision to wear eye protection will be determined by the clinician</li> </ul>
<b>When will PPE be replaced</b>	PPE will be replaced at the following intervals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Single use gloves will be changed in-between every patient or sooner as required i.e. if split or damaged</li> <li>• Single use plastic aprons will be changed in-between every patient or sooner as required i.e. if torn or damaged</li> <li>• Fluid-resistant surgical masks will be changed if damp or damaged and will not be reused once removed nor worn for more than 4 hours</li> </ul>
<b>Reception staff will wear the following PPE</b>	At the point that reception staff are reintroduced to the clinic they will wear the following PPE which will be replaced at the following intervals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fluid-resistant surgical masks if in direct contact with patients, which will be changed if damp or damaged and will not be reused once removed nor worn for more than 4 hours.</li> </ul>
<b>Patients will be asked to wear the following PPE</b>	Patients and visitors/chaperones will be requested to wear the following PPE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fluid-resistant surgical masks or cloth face-covering in clinical and waiting areas. The clinic will hold a supply of surgical face masks which can be purchased by patients, if requested.</li> </ul>
<b>PPE disposal</b>	Used PPE, antibacterial wipes, cleaning wipes, cloths and couch roll will be disposed of as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Double-plastic bagged before removal from clinic, and kept away from other household/garden waste, whilst placed in normal waste for collection by your local authority.</li> </ul>

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