



COVID 19 EMERGENCY RESPONSE GUIDENCE FOR RESUSCITATION & EMERGENCY CARE (Healthcare Environment)

For confirmed or suspected COVID 19 positive patients

At least level 2 PPE

Disposable Gloves, Apron,
Fluid Resistant Surgical
Mask & Eye protection

Check For Danger

If not already apply at least level 2 PPE where available –
Gloves, surgical mask and apron

Confirm Cardiac Arrest- Look for absence of signs of life from a distance

Do not place your cheek next to the patients
mouth/nose to check for breathing

Call for Help 999/112 & Emergency Equipment and allocate a gate keeper

State suspected Covid 19 Patient
Only take equipment into patient area that is required

AGP PPE

As above but
In addition Disposable
Gown & Filtering Face
Mask FFP3

Prior to Chest Compressions

Do Not Start Chest Compression unless in AGP PPE - (in children 5 initial breaths with BVM)

Place AED on patient and follow prompts

If oxygen mask on patients face – leave in situ- but turn off oxygen flow
Place cloth or mask on patients face if BVM not readily available

**STOP THINK!- Chest Compression is considered to be an AGP procedure
Appropriate level PPE should be donned prior to comencing Chest Compression & Ventilation**

Other staff should apply appropriate level PPE
Ventilation should be performed with Bag Valve Mask or Supraglottic airway device -
Do not use pocket mask or face shield

**Ensure all equipment & PPE is removed &
decontaminated / disposed of correctly**