

On behalf of the Code Blue and Code White Committees we would like to update staff in all in-patient units at Mission Bay, Mount Zion and Parnassus as to a change starting Thursday September 10th.

First Responder Personal Protective Equipment Recommendations Principles from UCSF Code Blue Committee

Due to concern for novel infection transmission to first responders during emergency responses, the UCSF Code Blue Committee recommends the use of full personal protective equipment (PPE) for any person responding to assist in a medical emergency. We therefore recommend that PPE be made readily available for use. This recommendation includes use of PPE for providers responding prior to the arrival of the Code Team or Emergency Medical Services (EMS).

Specifically based on this recommendation we will now have a PPE Pack in each patient room which will contain: 2 face shields, 1 small N95 mask, 1 medium N95 mask, and 2 gowns.

During an emergency please push the appropriate code button and then don your PPE **before** initiating the resuscitation.

The pack will have an expiration date on the front and will be the responsibility of the RN each shift to check to verify the pack is still sealed and not expired. If a new pack is required please obtain from Material Services by asking for a "PPE Pack" as no PMM has been assigned.

Please direct any questions to Mya Hamilton or Shannon Fitzpatrick.

