



**Butte County Fire Department
POLICIES & PROCEDURES**

Safety

MINOR SUBJECT: Personal Protective Equipment
SPECIFIC SUBJECT - Wearing of PPE on Medical Aid Calls

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POLICY:

The following are specifications for the appropriate use of department provided PPE when making patient contact on all medical emergency incidents.

PROCEDURE:

When initiating patient contact on any medical emergency, career and volunteer employee's will wear at a minimum:

- Latex or Nitrile Gloves
- Safety Glasses (HB Sec 1723.1)

Also, when making patient contact, career and volunteer employee's will have the following readily available for use if the situation warrants:

- N95 protective mask
- Complete BBP gown

Ultimately, it will be the Company Officer's discretion if responders need to don the entire BBP ensemble, based upon patient presentation and healthcare provider exposure risks.*

*Reference the 1700/1800 Exhibits at the end of the 1800 HB