

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE) REQUIREMENTS



- ① N95 respirator or Powered Air Purifying Respirator (PAPR)
- ② Eye protection (goggles or face shield)
- ③ Gloves
- ④ Gown

For healthcare personnel collecting specimens or others within 2 meters of patient.

NASOPHARYNGEAL BIOSPECIMEN COLLECTION

- ① **Position:** Tilt patient's head back 70°.
- ② **Probe:** Test septum permeability, use same swab.
- ③ **Insert:** Gently insert swab parallel to the palate.
- ④ **Depth:** Advance swab 2 to 3 inches until nasopharynx.
- ⑤ **Swab:** Roll swab 4 times.
- ⑥ **Remove:** Slowly withdraw swab while rotating it.
- ⑦ **Store:** Place swab tip-first into the provided tube with media.
- ⑧ **Transport:** Place tube in bag, and bag inside refrigerated box.
- ⑨ **Referral:** Deliver specimen to our lab within 4 hours.

