

For those of you who are looking for gowns, level 3 surgical masks and N95 respirators, McKesson may be able to supply you. You will need to order by the case. Their rep for our area is:

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Fit testing for N95 respirators is still illusive for some offices. Attached you will find a list of fit testers that we know of. You can also fit test your own employees if you have the proper equipment (fit testing kit). We have kits ordered and will make them available when they arrive.

Also, please note this update from the CDC:

We are writing to let you know that the CDC [Guidance for Dental Settings During the COVID-19 Response](#) has been updated. A summary of recent changes includes:

- The recommendation to wait 15 minutes after completion of clinical care and exit of each patient without suspected or confirmed COVID-19 to begin to clean and disinfect room surfaces has been removed to align with CDC [Interim Infection Prevention and Control Recommendations for Patients with Suspected or Confirmed Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(COVID-19\) in Healthcare Settings](#).
- The time period recommended for patients to inform the dental clinic if they develop symptoms or are diagnosed with COVID-19 following a dental appointment has been changed to 2 days to align with CDC's [Interim U.S. Guidance for Risk Assessment and Work Restrictions for Healthcare Personnel with Potential Exposure to COVID-19](#).
- Clarifying language has been added to [Engineering Controls](#).

It is unknown at this time how COVID-19 may permanently change infection control practices in dental health care settings. CDC continually assesses emerging scientific evidence for developing policies, guidelines, and recommendations. You can find the most up-to-date information about infection prevention and control practices on [CDC's COVID-19 page](#). This is an emerging, rapidly changing situation, and CDC will update this guidance as additional information becomes available.