## Point of Care Risk Assessment (PCRA)

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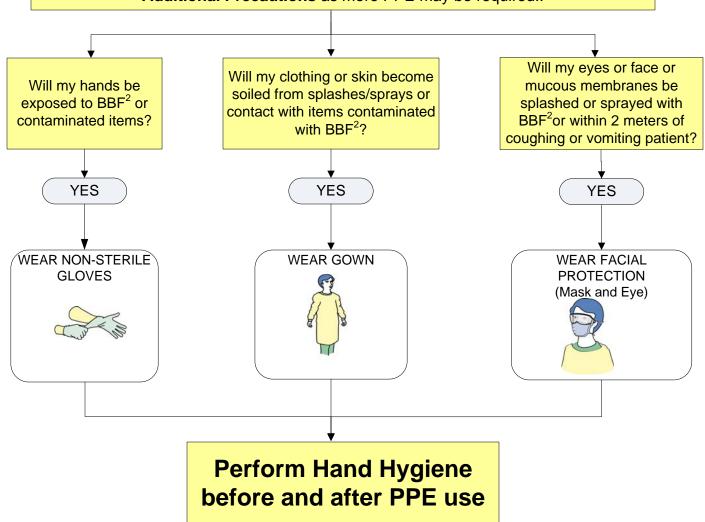
## ASSESS the TASK, the PATIENT and the ENVIRONMENT<sup>1</sup> Prior to EACH PATIENT INTERACTION

Performing a **PCRA** is the first step in routine practices.

Routine Practices are to be used with all patients for all care and all interactions.

This will help you decide what, if any, PPE you need to wear to protect yourself and to prevent the spread of germs.

A **PCRA** is to be performed to be performed prior to contact with every patient, every time even if the patient has been placed on **Additional Precautions** as more PPE may be required..



## Refer to

Donning and Doffing posters for correct order for putting on and removing PPE & hand hygiene steps

## Notes

<sup>1</sup>Environment = any area within 2 meters of the patient as well as their belongings and bathroom or the immediate space around a patient that may be touched by the patient AND may also be touched by the healthcare provider when providing care or performing tasks

<sup>2</sup>**BBF** = Blood and Body Fluids (includes: urine, feces, wound drainage, saliva, vomit, CSF, sputum, nasal secretions, semen, vaginal secretions)

Adapted from Choosing Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) 2014

