UMMC Employee PPE Survey

Q1 This survey’s goal is to gain information about healthcare workers thoughts related to mask, gown and glove use when caring for patients. We are asking only employees who work in patient care areas and/or clinical areas who have contact with patients to complete this survey. This survey is completely voluntary and answers will remain anonymous. Please answer all questions. It is expected that it will take less than 10 minutes to complete.

Q2 If the hospital has a policy in 2023 requiring me to wear a mask 100% of the time when interacting with patients, my agreement with this type of policy is:

* Strongly disagree (1)
* Disagree (2)
* Somewhat disagree (3)
* Neither agree nor disagree (4)
* Somewhat agree (5)
* Agree (6)
* Strongly agree (7)

Q3 When the hospital had a policy early in the pandemic (before vaccines were available) requiring me to wear a mask 100% of the time when working in patient care areas, my agreement with this type of policy at the time was:

* Strongly disagree (1)
* Disagree (2)
* Somewhat disagree (3)
* Neither agree nor disagree (4)
* Somewhat agree (5)
* Agree (6)
* Strongly agree (7)

Q4 How much do you agree with the following statements?

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|  | Strongly disagree (1) | Disagree (2) | Somewhat disagree (3) | Neither agree nor disagree (4) | Somewhat agree (5) | Agree (6) | Strongly agree (7) |
| A mask helps protect me from getting infected with bacteria and viruses (1) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| A mask helps protect those around me - patients and other hospital employees - from getting infected with bacteria and viruses (2) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| A mask is annoying to wear while at work (3) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wearing a mask is a barrier that impedes my ability to do my day-to-day work (4) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| I understand why CDC recommendations relative to mask use are different in the hospital and the community (5) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| When I go to indoor settings in the community, like a grocery store or department store, I think it is important to wear a mask (6) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Display This Question:

If How much do you agree with the following statements? = A mask is annoying to wear while at work [ Somewhat agree ]

Or How much do you agree with the following statements? = A mask is annoying to wear while at work [ Agree ]

Or How much do you agree with the following statements? = A mask is annoying to wear while at work [ Strongly agree ]

Q5 Please indicate the top three reasons why you find masks to be annoying:

* Hot (1)
* Uncomfortable to wear due to poor fit (2)
* Hurts my ears (3)
* Hard to find masks readily available (4)
* The masks I like are not available (5)
* Masks fog my glasses (6)
* Masks make communication with my patients and other employees difficult (7)
* Skin damage/irritation from mask use (8)
* Difficult to breathe through a mask (9)

Q6 Contact precautions are defined as wearing gloves and gowns when taking care of patients with antibiotic-resistant bacteria such as MRSA, VRE or gram-negative resistant bacteria. The following questions refer to wearing of gowns.

Q7 Most hospitals in the United States require the use of gowns when caring for patients with antibiotic resistant-bacteria. My agreement with this type of policy is:

* Strongly disagree (1)
* Disagree (2)
* Somewhat disagree (3)
* Neither agree nor disagree (4)
* Somewhat agree (5)
* Agree (6)
* Strongly agree (7)

Q9 How much do you agree with the following statements?

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|  | Strongly disagree (1) | Disagree (2) | Somewhat disagree (3) | Neither agree nor disagree (4) | Somewhat agree (5) | Agree (6) | Strongly agree (7) |
| A gown helps protect me from getting infected with bacteria and viruses (1) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| A gown helps protect those around me - patients and other hospital employees - from getting infected with bacteria and viruses (2) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| A gown is annoying to wear while at work (3) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wearing a gown is a barrier that impedes my ability to do my day-to-day work (4) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Relative to comfort, I dislike wearing a mask more than wearing a gown at work (5) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Q10 Contact precautions are defined as wearing gloves and gowns when taking care of patients with antibiotic-resistant bacteria such as MRSA, VRE or gram-negative resistant bacteria. The following questions refer to wearing of gloves.

Q11 Most hospitals in the United States, require the use of gloves when caring for patients with antibiotic resistant-bacteria. My agreement with this type of policy is:

* Strongly disagree (1)
* Disagree (2)
* Somewhat disagree (3)
* Neither agree nor disagree (4)
* Somewhat agree (5)
* Agree (6)
* Strongly agree (7)

Q12 How much do you agree with the following statements?

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|  | Strongly disagree (1) | Disagree (2) | Somewhat disagree (3) | Neither agree nor disagree (4) | Somewhat agree (5) | Agree (6) | Strongly agree (7) |
| Gloves help protect me from getting infected with bacteria and viruses (1) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Gloves help protect those around me - patients and other hospital employees - from getting infected with bacteria and viruses (2) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Gloves are annoying to wear while at work (3) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wearing gloves is a barrier that impedes my ability to do my day-to-day work (4) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Q17 How much do you agree with the following statement?  
My hospital and senior leadership prioritize protecting me from exposure to infectious diseases in the workplace

* Strongly disagree (1)
* Disagree (2)
* Somewhat disagree (3)
* Neither agree nor disagree (4)
* Somewhat agree (5)
* Agree (6)
* Strongly agree (7)

Q13 My role in the hospital is:

* Nurse (1)
* Doctor (2)
* Advanced practice provider (3)
* Physical/Occupational Therapist (4)
* Respiratory Therapist (5)
* Patient Care Technician/Certified Nursing Assistant (6)
* Environmental Services (7)
* Patient Transport (8)
* Phlebotomy (9)
* Care Management/Social Work (10)
* Other (please specify) (11)

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Q14 I have worked at the University of Maryland Medical Center for:

* Less than 1 year (1)
* Between 1 year and 5 years (2)
* Between 5 years and 10 years (3)
* Between 10 years and 20 years (4)
* Greater than 20 years (5)

Q16 The location I currently spend the most of my time working at UMMC is:

* Downtown campus (1)
* Midtown campus (2)

Q15 I have worked in healthcare for:

* Less than 1 year (1)
* Between 1 year and 5 years (2)
* Between 5 years and 10 years (3)
* Between 10 years and 20 years (4)
* Greater than 20 years (5)

Q16 My age is:

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