

Dear Sir/Madam

I am wearing a short sleeve tunic when seeing my daily patients.

Seeing that N95 masks, when consulting and treating moderate risk patients ,are to be changed after a maximum of 4 hours use, except if visibly dirty,wet or damaged, I propose that the same should be required for the short sleeve tunics or gowns when seeing low and moderate risk patients. A good time for changing tunics will be over the lunch time break.

I do agree with the washing and drying of exposed arms in between seeing patients which should be part of standard infection control anyway.

I also feel that a stand down time of 30 minutes for moderate risk patients in private practice is not practical and we do see a considerable number of patients 12 years and younger. Even 12 to 18 year old patients are likely to be unvaccinated.

Regards

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