You should wear a mask, if possible, if you are a:

- patient, carer or visitor of a health care facility
- part of a community healthcare visit

You can wear your own mask from home into hospital but if you’re admitted we’ll give you a surgical mask if needed.

Children 12 years and under are not required to wear a mask.
Health workers are required to wear a surgical mask if caring/working within 1.5 metres of any patient within a healthcare environment.

Contact and droplet precautions apply if caring/working within 1.5m of patients with suspected, probable or confirmed COVID-19

When caring for vulnerable patients/residents, individual circumstances should be considered around mask use.

Mask use supplements but is not a substitute for precautions such as hand hygiene and physical distancing. This should be remembered when working and during breaks.