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Can I use a face shield in place of a face covering?

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The face shield alone is not a substitute for a face covering. Face shields can substantially reduce the short-term exposure of healthcare workers to large infectious aerosol particles, but smaller particles can remain airborne longer and flow around the face shield more easily to be inhaled. Thus, face shields provide a useful adjunct to respiratory protection for workers caring for patients with respiratory infections. However, they cannot be used as a substitute for respiratory protection when it is needed. A review for accommodations may be requested through your supervisor. Federal CDC guidance is online.

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