



UNMH Elastomeric Mask Process for Individuals

This process describes how you can get up and running with elastomeric masks in the event that your “unit” does not already use elastomeric masks:

Establishing the need for augmented PPE respirator = elastomeric masks: there are 3 reasons for you to use an elastomeric mask: you are eligible to use an elastomeric if you have one or more of these reasons:

- You do ultra-high-risk aerosol-generating procedures (AGPs)*
- You do multiple AGPs (low to ultra-high) in a single shift/day to conserve N-95 masks
- You are unable to fit into an N-95

Training process

- There are a few steps to complete before you can get a mask:
 - o **Learning Central module:** Complete the short Learning Central module CE 201.19.1, “Elastomeric Donning, Doffing and Cleaning.” You may have to assign this to yourself or ask your departmental/staff support to assign it to you. The module covers checks on the elastomeric mask, how to don, doff and clean, and the need to drop it off after use each day (at the same unit from which you checked out the mask) for level 2 cleaning. You must complete the acknowledgement statement after completion.
 - o **Fit testing:** You must be fit-tested: There are 2 ways to do this:
 - **Batcave:** On Learning Central, you can make an appointment to have your fit test and skills check done as part of the blended course CTC 2020 “Elastomeric fit and care.” The BATCAVE will then walk you through the process, fit test you, and skills check you. Assuming you have done the module online as well, they will log that you have completed all that is necessary. You can also call 272-5998.
 - o **Skills testing:** As above, the Batcave will log that you have completed required training.

Where to get your mask

Email HSC-PPE@salud.unm.edu to determine from which unit you should obtain your mask.

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Note: there are three masks: 6100 Small, 6200 Medium, 6300 Large, 7502 Alternative medium

*Ultra high-risk procedures

- Any procedures on the glottis, oropharynx, nasopharynx, mastoid, or sinuses that produce aerosol
- Any Otolaryngology/Oral Maxillofacial surgery (ENT/OMFS) procedures using cautery, laser, drill, or saw use within airway/oral cavity
- Any procedures utilizing operative rigid laryngoscopy or rigid bronchoscopy
- Any procedures on the subglottic airway involving incision of the airway (tracheostomy), dilation of the airway, laser, or electrocautery debridement of the airway