



Glove selection guide for General Practice

If contact with blood and/or body fluids, non-intact skin or mucous membranes is anticipated, or the patient has a confirmed or suspected infection, personal protective equipment (PPE) should be worn.

Glove selection guide	Sterile	Non-sterile		
Procedure and type of contact Ticks indicate which glove may be used for the procedures listed and if they should be sterile or non-sterile. Please note that this is not an exhaustive list.	Nitrile or equivalent product	Nitrile or equivalent product	Vinyl	Domestic
Aseptic technique	✓			
Blood/blood stained body fluid contact		✓		
Body fluid contact, e.g. urine, faeces		✓		
Clean technique		✓		
Confirmed or suspected respiratory illness, e.g. flu, COVID-19		✓		
Decontamination of care equipment		✓	✓	
Domestic tasks				✓
IUCD insertion	✓			
Minor surgery	✓			
Rectal examination		✓		
Short and non-manipulative tasks			✓	
Urinary catheterisation	✓			
Vaginal examination		✓		
Venepuncture/phlebotomy		✓		