Paramedic Donning Observer Checklist

Suspected/Confirmed EVD Cases and/or Care Environment Coverall/Gown with Separate Hood and Foot Covers

This checklist is designed to assist paramedics and first responders in correctly donning Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for suspect/confirmed cases of EVD and their care environment. **Please Note: This is a sample checklist** that may need to be adapted to meet relevant standards of practice and/or specific manufacturer's user instructions for variations of approved PPE. A trained observer will use the checklist to ensure that all necessary donning steps are performed and in the proper sequence. Any errors or omissions are to be corrected immediately to ensure the paramedic and/or first responder is protected.

Before you begin, instruct paramedics(s) and/or first responder(s) to hydrate, tie back long hair and secure in place, and remove personal items such as hand and wrist jewelry. Gather and inspect PPE carefully. Ensure that the correct size is selected and that the PPE is in good sanitary and working condition. Damaged or defective PPE should not be used.



	DONNING PPE PROCEDURE	COMMENTS (May include size of PPE)
8	 Perform hand hygiene: Use alcohol-based hand rub (ABHR) or soap and water before putting on any PPE Allow hands to dry completely before putting on any PPE 	
2	 Put on single-use (disposable) impermeable foot covers: Select foot covers that extend to at least mid-thigh Ensure foot covers allow for ease of movement Adjust and verify for proper fit of PPE Sit on clean chair, as needed 	
3	 Perform hand hygiene: Use ABHR or soap and water Allow hands to dry completely before putting on any PPE 	
4	 Put on inner gloves Extend cuffs as far up arms as possible Adjust and verify proper fit of PPE 	
S	 Put on single-use (disposable) impermeable coverall/gown: Select coverall/gown large enough to allow unrestricted freedom of movement Ensure cuffs of inner gloves remain tucked under sleeves Seal opening of coverall and ensure no skin or clothing is exposed (if applicable) Ensure a continuous barrier between foot covers and gown (if applicable) Sit on clean chair, as needed 	

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6	 Put on fit-tested N95 respirator: Apply respirator as per manufacturer's user instructions Fit flexible nose piece to bridge of nose Perform seal check 	
•	 Put on eye protection (if applicable): Apply safety eyeware as per manufacturer's user instructions 	
•••	 Put on single-use (disposable) impermeable hood cover: Ensure hood cover extends past shoulders and provides complete coverage of head, neck, and ears Adjust and verify proper fit of PPE 	
9	 Put on face protection: Apply full face shield as per manufacturer's user instructions Ensure face shield provides coverage of entire front and sides of face; adjust to fit 	
•	 Put on outer gloves with extended cuffs: Ensure gloves cover cuffs of coverall/gown and that no skin is exposed Adjust and verify proper fit of PPE 	
•	 Verify donning PPE procedure: Inspect PPE to ensure it is secure and full coverage has been achieved Visually confirm sequence has been completed correctly 	
Name of Observer:	Name of Signature:	Date:



