Acute Care Donning Training Checklist for EVD

Powered Air Purifying Respirator (PAPR) and Coverall

This checklist is designed to assist with training healthcare workers (HCWs) on the correct donning of personal protective equipment (PPE) while wearing a powered air purifying respirator (PAPR) for EVD. Note this is a sample and may be adapted to meet relevant standards of practice and/or specific manufacturer's recommendations, including the user instructions for the PPE selected.

The tool can be used to verify and document that all necessary donning steps are performed in the proper sequence. Any errors or omissions identified during practice and skill proficiency demonstrations must be communicated immediately, to ensure appropriate instructions are provided and corrective measures are taken to ensure the protection of the HCW.

Note: To minimize the potential for cross-contamination, decontamination zones are often divided into cold (clean), warm (potentially dirty) and hot (dirty) zones. Storage and donning of PPE must occur in the cold (clean) zone, not the anteroom or doffing area.

Before you begin, ensure medical clearance and baseline vitals are recorded. Control measures need to be in place to manage heat stress (where applicable). Instruct HCW(s) to don point-of-care scrubs and footwear (if to be worn under coverall), hydrate, secure hair, and remove personal items such as hand and wrist jewelry. Remove cell phones and pagers and other personal items from pockets. Ensure items worn (or on person) do not interfere with the proper functioning or cause puncture, tear, or damage to the PPE. Gather and inspect PPE carefully. Ensure that the correctly-sized PPE is selected and that it is in good sanitary and working condition. Damaged or defective PPE must be reported and discarded or otherwise removed from circulation (as appropriate).



TRAIN.	PRAC.	PROF.		DOFFING PPE PROCEDURE	COMMENTS (May include size of PPE)
				Complete pre-operational PAPR check and setup:	
			0	 □ Refer to manufacturer's users instructions for specific requirements □ Remove protective visor cover from hood □ Visually inspect breathing tube, blower unit and hood for damage, tears and/or points of leakage □ Attach filter cartridge and connect blower unit to PAPR belt □ Attach a fully charged battery to the PAPR assembly □ Turn on the PAPR and use the display indicator to confirm battery charge □ Use flow indicator from manufacturer to verify adequate airflow □ Attach breathing tube to PAPR assembly 	
				Perform hand hygiene:	
			2	 Use alcohol-based hand rub (ABHR); use soap and water if hands are visibly soiled Allow hands to dry completely before putting on any PPE 	
				Put on single-use (disposable) impermeable inner boot coverings:	
			3	 Select and use an inner layer (e.g., disposable non-slip boot covers) to wear under the coverall socks as an additional barrier to facilitate doffing Use clean chair or grab bar, as needed Adjust and verify proper fit 	
			4	Put on inner gloves:	
				Extend cuffs as far up arms as possible Adjust and verify proper fit	
			5	Put on a single-use (disposable) impermeable coverall with integrated socks: Select coverall large enough to allow unrestricted freedom of movement Use clean chair or grab bar, as needed Ensure cuffs of coverall sleeves extend over the inner gloves Pull hood up over head and pull zipper up to top of coverall Optional: Place tape (with fold-over tab) under zipper slider to prevent downward travel and inadvertent neck exposure; add strap extension to the zipper pull down tab to facilitate easier removal during doffing process	





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				Put on single-use (disposable) impermeable outer footwear and/or boot coverings:	
				 Select and use an outer layer (e.g., water-proof boots, disposable non-slip boot covers) to wear over the coverall socks for foot protection and/or as an additional barrier that can be removed between the hot and warm zones Adjust and verify proper fit 	
				Put on single-use (disposable) PAPR hood:	
				Ensure hood cover extends past shoulders and provides complete coverage of head, neck, and earsAdjust and verify proper fit	
				Put on PAPR assembly:	
			8	 Trained observer may assist with putting on PAPR assembly, but must have conducted hand hygiene Put on PAPR assembly by fastening belt at front and positioning motor/blower unit comfortably at lower back Attach breathing tube to PAPR hood Turn on PAPR to initiate and confirm airflow Secure the PAPR belt straps (as necessary) Adjust and verify proper fit 	
				Put on outer gloves with extended cuffs:	
			9	 Ensure gloves cover cuffs of coverall and that no skin is exposed Use single-use disposable heavy duty/rubber utility gloves for environmental cleaning and waste management where risk warrants additional protection Adjust and verify proper fit 	
				Put on single-use (disposable) impermeable outer gown	
				 and/or apron (i.e., coverall with gown, apron, or both): Select gown large enough to allow unrestricted freedom of movement and extends to level of mid-calf Ensure cuffs of gown sleeves extend over the outer gloves Tie strings or secure velcro of gown at back of neck; ensure ties at waist do not interfere with airflow of PAPR assembly Ensure apron extends to the level of mid-calf, if used Apron ties/velcro must be secured at neck and waist; ensure ties are behind the breathing tube and do not interfere with the airflow of the PAPR assembly Adjust and verify proper fit 	
				Verify donning PPE procedure:	
				 Inspect PPE to ensure it is secure, allows for unrestricted movement, and that full coverage has been achieved Confirm and document that sequence has been completed correctly 	
Name of Trainer:				Name of Signature:	Date:



