



ABCD's of COVID19 Syndrome

Interim Guidance for Providers on COVID19 Syndrome (2019—nCOV)

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A	ASSESS THE PATIENT												
	Does the Patient Have Any of the Following Symptoms?												
	Shortness of Breath	Cough	Fever										
	ASSESS THE EPIDEMIOLOGICAL RISK												
Has the Patient Within Fourteen (14) Days Since Onset of Symptoms?													
Traveled to an Affected Region (China, Iran, Italy, Japan, South Korea {Updated as of 28 Feb 2020})	Lower Respiratory Syndrome with Unknown Origin	Come in close contact (within six (6) feet of a person known to have or being monitored for COVID19 Syndrome											
B	BSI												
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Place surgical mask on patient (incorporate O₂ if clinically indicated) on patient ➤ Limit number of clinicians involved in patient care 												
	PPE												
	In Any Suspected Or Confirmed Respiratory Borne Cases, Close Driver Compartment Pass Thru and Turn On Patient Compartment Ventilation Fan												
Viral Respiratory Illness (low / no suspicion for COVID19)	Suspected COVID19 Syndrome (By Criteria Above)	Known COVID19 Syndrome (Currently Being Monitored by DOH)											
Droplet Precautions	Special Respiratory Precautions		Airborne Precautions										
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Surgical mask with face shield ➤ Gloves 	<table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="text-align: center; padding: 2px;">Option A</td> <td style="text-align: center; padding: 2px;">Option B</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;">➤ N95 Mask</td> <td style="padding: 2px;">➤ Full Face Respirator</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;">➤ Gown</td> <td style="padding: 2px;">➤ PAPR</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;">➤ Eye protection</td> <td style="padding: 2px;">➤ Gown</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;">➤ Gloves</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>		Option A	Option B	➤ N95 Mask	➤ Full Face Respirator	➤ Gown	➤ PAPR	➤ Eye protection	➤ Gown	➤ Gloves		** TRANSPORT ONLY WITH APPROVAL FROM SOD OFFICER**
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➤ Gown	➤ PAPR												
➤ Eye protection	➤ Gown												
➤ Gloves													
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Haz – Mat Level B suit or greater 													
C	COMMUNICATE												
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ NOTIFY EMPRESS EMS DISPATCH IMMEDIATELY <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ For any suspected or confirmed COVID19 Syndrome Patients ➤ CONSULT ONLINE MEDICAL CONTROL <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ For assistance with risk assessment and any care limitations ➤ ENSURE EARLY HOSPITAL NOTIFICATION 												



DOFFING AND DISPOSAL

UTILIZE SAFE DOFFING PROCEDURES

RED BIOWASTE BAG (Disposal)

- N95 Masks
- PAPR Filters
- Gloves
- Level C Suit
- Gowns
- Other disposable supplies

CLEAR BAG (Cleaning / Disinfection)

- Full Face Respirators
- SCBA Masks
- PAPR
- Any Non – Disposable Equipment

DECONTAMINATE

HANDS

- Before and after every patient contact
- Contact with potentially infectious materials
- Before donning and after doffing PPE, including gloves
 - Wash with soap and water for a **MINIMUM** of 60 seconds
 - When washing hands is not possible, utilize Alcohol Sanitizer (65 % or greater)

FULL FACE RESPIRATOR

- Soak in 5% bleach solution for 10 minutes
- Rinse with fresh warm water
- Air dry in a non – contaminated atmosphere

PAPR / SCBA

- Clean and disinfect according to manufacturer's guidelines

Ambulance, Medical Equipment and Gear

- Rest vehicle for **TWO (2) HOURS** with doors and windows open prior to terminal clean
- Utilize sanitation wipes
 - Wipe surface until completely wet
 - Follow manufacturer's guidelines for wet time
- Discard wipes in bio – hazard waste bag
- Follow any equipment's specific manufacture guidelines for decontamination and disinfection

COVID19 Syndrome is an emerging, rapidly evolving situation. Additional guidance and revisions shall be disseminated as it becomes relevant.

IF YOU EVER HAVE A QUESTION, REACH OUT TO AN OPERATIONS SUPERVISOR OR THE SPECIAL AND EMERGING PATHOGENS OFFICER.

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