

### **Shared Health Emergency Response Services**

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**General - Safe Work Procedure** 

## Cleaning and Disinfecting Ambulance Post Transporting Suspect or Known COVID-19

Hazards Present:	Personal Protective Equipment (PPE):	Minimum Training Requirement:
Biohazard	Gloves Protective eyewear Gown Surgical Mask	Emergency Medical Responder

Purpose:	Indications:	
To ensure appropriate cleaning and disinfection of the ambulance after the transport of a known or suspect COVID-19 patient.	Post transportation of patients with an increased index of suspicion for COVID-19:	
	<ul> <li>Influenza Like Illness (ILI): Fever, cough, shortness of breath and may include one or more of the following; runny nose, sore throat, muscle aches, or fatigue.</li> </ul>	
	Has been tested positive for COVID-19	
	<ul> <li>Close contact (inside two (2) meters for 10 minutes or greater) within the past 14 day with someone who has tested positive for COVID- 19 or suspect to be positive for COVID-19</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Laboratory exposure while working directly with specimens known to contain COVID-19</li> </ul>	
	Close contact (inside two (2) meters for 10 minutes or greater) within the past 14 day with someone who is ill with ILI that has traveled within the last 14 days	
Equipment:	Contraindications:	
<ul><li>Gloves</li><li>Protective eyewear</li><li>Gown</li><li>Surgical Mask</li></ul>	None	
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- 1. Leave the rear door and side doors of the patient compartment open for six (6) minutes after patient handover has occurred
  - a. The time to complete transfer of the patient to the receiving facility and complete documentation should provide sufficient air changes
- 2. Perform hand hygiene with Alcohol Based Hand Sanitizer
- 3. Don gown ensuring gown wraps around the back
- 4. Don surgical mask
- 5. Don protective eyewear
- 6. Don medical gloves over gown; ensure cuffs of gloves are secure over cuff of gown
- 7. Using routine cleaning and disinfection procedures with approved disinfectants and cleaners
- 8. Ensure vehicle doors are left open to allow for adequate ventilation when using disinfectants
- 9. Clean and disinfect any reusable patient care equipment before use on another patient, including reusable eye protection



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- 10. Dispose of any N95 masks left in the foot well of the side patient compartment door
- 11. Remove PPE following the Shared Health recommended approach for doffing PPE
- 12. Perform hand hygiene with Alcohol Based Hand Sanitizer

\*\*Refer to Safety and Health Guidelines should an exposure or injury occur\*\*

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MR 217/2006 Part 6: Personal Protective Equipment CDC Guidelines: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/guidance-for-ems.html	Training Reviewed: 03/25/2020
Donning and Doffing PPE: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B5ew8020fwc&amp;feature=youtu.be">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B5ew8020fwc&amp;feature=youtu.be</a> <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Lly8DjGcvDM&amp;feature=youtu.be">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Lly8DjGcvDM&amp;feature=youtu.be</a>	<b>Approved by RG/TH:</b> 03/26/2020
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