

Objective Structured Clinical Examination (OSCE) for donning and doffing PPE in suspected or confirmed COVID-19 patients.

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This OSCE is for the simple assessment and examination of patients. ***It is not for Aerosol-Generating Procedures (AGPs).***

This OSCE should only be undertaken after the Health Care Profession (HCP) has watched the COVID-19 PE Scenario 1 video. The video can be found at xxxxxxx

Examiner Instructions for this OSCE

1. Explain the purpose of the OSCE to the Health Care Professional (HCP).

The purpose is to test that:

The HCP knows the correct procedures for donning and doffing Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) when examining suspected or confirmed COVID-19 patients. For the HCP to avoid COVID-19 infection, performing these procedures correctly is very important.

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2. During the test, the HCP will perform the various PPE Donning and Doffing Procedures whilst the examiner watches.
3. At each stage, tick in the 'Yes' or 'No' column in the tables below depending on whether the HCP correctly followed that PPE procedure.
4. There are several key procedures. It is ***absolutely essential*** that the HCP performs these key procedures correctly.
If the HCP scores a 'No' in any of these key procedures, then **they fail the whole OSCE**. In the table below, the key procedures are highlighted in **orange**.
If the HCP performs a key PPE procedure incorrectly, that procedure must then be re-explained. The HCP will have to watch the Scenario 1 video again and then they can re-attempt the whole OSCE.
5. Once the HCP has passed this OSCE, please email the Confirmation Certificate to them.

Please remain positive and reassuring throughout this process. We want people to pass and to be safe and confident in the PPE procedure for their own and their patient's safety.

CANDIDATE NAME:

PPE Procedures

It is *vital* that the PPE procedures are carried out in the order specified in the tables below.

Part 1: Donning PPE Procedure

Process Ref	Procedure Description	Y e s	No <i>If Orange, 'No' = fail OSCE</i>
Don-1	Must prepare PPE equipment before entering the patient area. See local guidelines for details.		
Don-2	Must wash hands for 20 seconds using appropriate technique.		
Don-3.1	Aprons must be worn.		
Don-3.2	Tie the apron securely at the back of the neck to ensure full coverage.		
Don-4.1	Mask: choose a fluid-resistant surgical mask.		
Don-4.2	Tie upper straps of mask on crown of head above ears (not resting on top of ears).		
Don-4.3	Tie lower straps at nape of neck.		
Don-4.4	Press nose strap of mask across bridge of nose to ensure close fit. A good seal should be made from nose bridge down to cheeks.		
Don-5.1	<p>Eye protection: A visor or goggles are only required if exposure to blood, bodily fluid or respiratory secretions is likely. Eye protection is also recommended if the examination is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • within 1 metre of the patient's face or • if the patient is coughing, is likely to cough, or has been coughing in the previous 24 hrs. <p>Place over ears and on top of mask.</p>		

Don -5.2	Put on Surgical cap (<u>not on video but can be introduced in OSCE</u>).		
Don -5.3	Gloves: put on non-sterile gloves in the correct size.		

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Part 2: Doffing PPE Procedure

Process Ref	Doffing PPE procedure	Y e s	No <i>If Orange, 'No' = fail OSCE</i>
Dof-1.1	Must start the doffing procedure in the patient area.		
Dof-1.2	Gloves: remove first.		
Dof 1.3	Pull outside of one glove with other gloved hand and peel off, and then hold in gloved hand.		
Dof 1.4	Slide ungloved fingers under remaining glove to peel off. Discard both gloves into clinical waste.		
Dof-2	Alcohol gel hands after removing gloves.		
Dof-3	Remove apron. Only touch the inside of apron. Discard into clinical waste.		
Dof-4	Alcohol gel hands after removing apron.		
Dof-5.1	Leave mask and eye protection on and leave the patient area.		
Dof-5.2	Alcohol gel hands after leaving room.		
Dof-6.1	Eye protection: Remove upwards away from face with eyes closed.		
Dof-6.2	Place in bin if single use or hand to 'clean buddy' who will thoroughly clean with a Clinell wipe. Q: If no clean buddy what do you do? A: Place on a dirty surface inside the doffing area (this can be the floor). Decontaminate the dirty eye protection later once you have fully doffed and have put on a new pair of gloves.		
Dof-7	Alcohol gel hands again after removing eye protection.		

Dof-8	Remove mask by handling ties only. Untie or break the bottom tie then the top tie.		
	Lean forward and discard into clinical waste. <u>Hold straps.</u>		
Dof-9	Now all PPE is doffed, wash hands <u>and arms up to elbows</u> for 20 seconds.		