

## OBSERVATION TOOL

**Purpose:** This observation tool is used to assist in the assessment of the individual Doffing Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) in the Community Setting. This is an assessment tool and is not intended to teach the procedure. Please use this tool in combination with your organizations approved teaching resources, policies and procedures. When using the tool, in addition to noting satisfactory or unsatisfactory and not observed, please utilize the comments section to note areas for improvement, behaviors to celebrate and/or instances to discuss.

**Scope:** This tool can be used to support individual practice, peer to peer observation, or by a supervisor to authorize the individual as competent to perform this skill. It is the responsibility of the individual to know if this procedure is within their professional scope of practice as supported by provincial regulation, college and employer standards.

**Context:** Recall that in the clinical setting the performance of these procedures occur in client encounters and are linked to patient centered care approaches which while central to patient care, may or may not be demonstrated during this skills observation.

**S= Satisfactory**

**U= Unsatisfactory**

**NP= Not Performed**

Doffing PPE in the Community Setting		
	S, U, or NP	Comments
<b>PRE-PROCEDURE</b>		
1. Reviews organizational education supports for Doffing PPE the Community Setting procedure.		
2. If available, engages a peer to support by observing doffing process.		
<b>PROCEDURE</b>		
1. Unties the side tie of the gown.		
2. Crosses arms to grab the gown and pull forward so the neck straps break away. Avoids touching the skin.		
3. Using a rolling motion, grabs the exposed side of the sleeve and glove on one arm to remove both in one motion.		
4. Removes the other sleeve and glove with the free hand, only touching the inside of the gown.		

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<b>PROCEDURE (continued)</b>		
5. Continues gently rolling the gown away from the body until removed. Places disposed of gown and gloves into empty bag that once held the clean PPE.		
6. Performs hand hygiene using ABHR.		
7. If not using face shield or goggles, proceed to step 9. If using face shield or goggles, removes face shield from the back (using both hands) by lifting head band up and over the top of the head and away from the face.		
8. Performs hand hygiene using ABHR.		
9. Removes mask by grabbing ear loops and pulling mask away from face.		
10. Without touching the outside of the mask, places mask in the bag containing gown and gloves.		
11. Ties bag and places in garbage bag in Clients home that is closest to the door.		
12. Performs hand hygiene with ABHR.		
<b>POST-PROCEDURE</b>		
1. If being observed by peer, gains feedback from peer on their observations.		

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Based on the observations please make a recommendation and provide supporting comments	
Recommendation	Comments
<input type="checkbox"/> Further practice and/or supports required	
<input type="checkbox"/> No further practice or supports required	

Please sign and date below. If you are a supervisor certifying the individual as competent to perform this procedure in the clinical arena, please include designation.

	Name	Signature	Date
Skill Performer			
Peer Observer			
Supervisor/Educator			



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