

TITLE	Non sterile glove application and removal	DATE WRITTEN	04.03.2020
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POLICY

To establish consistent RCP personnel protocols during the Covid-19 Pandemic.

PROCEDURE

During the COVID-19 Pandemic all personnel will wear gloves while visiting the facilities assigned. You may have to change gloves frequently, depending on facility policy to glove use. If needing to enter a patient's room gloves will be utilized, no exceptions.

The following Protocol will be followed:

Non-Sterile glove application:

- Before putting on gloves, wash hands.
- Dry your hands well as wet hands can make putting on gloves difficult.
- Once your hands are clean and dry select the appropriate sized glove to fit your hands. Gloves that are too large or too small are difficult to use.
- Pick one glove at a time out of the box and place on each hand. Try avoiding touching the entire glove.
- With one hand – let's say the right one – hold the wrist end of this glove open.
- With the left hand, bunch the fingers together into a point. Insert the fingers of the left hand into the open wrist end of the glove.
- Use your right hand to pull the wrist end of the glove onto the left hand while easing the left hand into the glove and spreading the left hand's fingers out into the correct positions.
- Repeat the same procedure with the other hand.

Non-Sterile Glove Removal:

- To remove the gloves start by pinching the left hand glove at the wrist. Turn down towards the palm and pull off slowly. (You will be holding the left glove in you right hand with the glove still on.)
- Take your (ungloved) left hand and place two fingers underneath the right hand glove at the wrist.
- Pull the glove down slowly to the palm of the right hand.
- When you reach the other glove (left hand glove) fold the right hand glove over the top of the removed glove in your right hand and pull off (PLACE DIRECTLY IN THE DESIGNATED TRASH BIN).
- Wash your hands.

NOTE: See illustration below.

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