STEP	PAPR Level	PPE Doffing
1	Healthcare Worker alerts the Doffing Partner they are ready to leave the room.	
2	The Doffing Partner places a doffing pad directly outside the patient room door.	
3	A lined trash container and an IV pole are placed on either side of the doffing pad.	
4	Doffing Partner organizes hand sanitizer, fresh patient care gloves, bleach wipes and standard masks.	
5	Healthcare Worker removes outer gloves and an additional apron if donned while providing patient care.	

6	Healthcare Worker cleans contaminated surfaces of the Biological Protective Suit and PAPR with bleach wipes.	
7	Healthcare Worker bleach wipes long cuff purple nitrile gloves and door handle, disposing of bleach wipe in trash before exiting the room.	
8	Healthcare Worker opens the door and steps onto first quarter of the doffing pad.	
9	Doffing Partner removes the tape from the cuffs of the purple gloves and discards in trash.	
10	Healthcare Worker removes long cuff purple nitrile gloves using glove in glove technique and places them gently in the trash.	Comp.

11	Doffing Partner removes the first boot cover and places it in the trash.	
12	The Healthcare Worker places foot with boot cover removed in the second quarter of the doffing pad.	
13	Doffing Partner removes the second boot cover and places it in the trash.	
14	The Healthcare Worker places foot with boot cover removed in the second quarter of the doffing pad.	
15	Doffing Partner removes outer patient care gloves, using glove in glove technique, places them gently in the trash, disinfects the purple long cuff gloves, and applies a new pair of gloves.	

16	Doffing Partner moves the trash can so that it is closer to the new position of the Healthcare Worker.	
17	Healthcare Worker unbuckles the PAPR motor and the Doffing Partner carefully moves it away from the suit hanging it over the IV pole at eye level.	
18	Doffing Partner wipes PAPR tubing, battery pack and belt with bleach wipes which are then disposed of in the trash.	
19	Doffing partner removes outer patient care gloves, using glove in glove technique, places them gently in the trash, disinfects the purple long cuff gloves, and applies a new pair of gloves.	
20	Doffing Partner rolls up the outer layer of hood.	

21	Doffing Partner removes tape from zipper flap, if it has been used. Tape is placed in trash.	
22	Doffing Partner opens zipper flap and lowers the zipper.	
23	Doffing Partner begins removing the suit at the neck, rolling the suit outwards with external surfaces away from the body. Continue until the ankles are reached.	
24	Healthcare Worker steps out of the suit and into the third quarter of the doffing pad.	
25	Doffing Partner gathers up the suit and places it in the trash.	

26	Doffing Partner and Healthcare Worker remove patient care gloves, using glove in glove technique, placing them gently in the trash. Both perform hand hygiene, and apply a new pair of gloves.	
27	Doffing Partner shuts off PAPR motor, disconnects tubing from the motor and caps air outflow with clean filter cap.	
28	Healthcare Worker removes hood in one slow, controlled motion as the Doffing Partner maintains control of the PAPR tubing which is still attached. All parts are placed in the trash.	
29	Healthcare worker removes the surgical cap (if worn) using a clean pair of gloves in an up and forward motion, and places it in the trash.	
30	Doffing Partner and Healthcare Worker remove patient care gloves, using glove in glove technique, placing them gently in the trash, perform hand hygiene, and apply a new pair of gloves. Healthcare Worker applies standard mask.	

31	Doffing partner removes first of the boot liners and places it in the trash. The Healthcare Worker places the first foot with the boot liner removed in the fourth quarter of the doffing pad.	
32	Doffing partner removes second of the boot liners and places it in the trash. The Healthcare Worker places the second foot with the boot liner removed in the fourth quarter of the doffing pad.	
33	Doffing partner removes the outer patient care gloves, using glove in glove technique, places them gently in the trash, disinfects the purple long cuff gloves, and applies new gloves.	
34	Doffing Partner cleans the first shoe of the Healthcare Worker wiping all surfaces of the plastic footwear with a bleach wipe. The Healthcare Worker places the first clean foot on the floor stepping off of the doffing pad.	
35	Doffing Partner cleans the second shoe of the Healthcare Worker wiping all surfaces of the plastic footwear with a bleach wipe. The Healthcare Worker places the second clean foot on floor stepping off of the doffing pad.	

36	Healthcare Worker proceeds to the sink to wash hands and apply new gloves.	
37	Healthcare Worker proceeds to shower. If the shower is occupied, Healthcare Worker should sit in the designated area until the shower is available.	
38	After showering the Healthcare Worker should	rest and rehydrate.
39	Doffing Partner places PAPR motor, with filters and caps in place, into a biohazard bag. After the doffing area is cleaned up, the bag is placed in a designated area for later systematic cleaning.	
40	Doffing Partner rolls the doffing pad into a ball, soiled surfaces inward, and places it in the trash.	
41	Doffing Partner wipes contaminated surfaces such as walls, door, floor and IV pole, with bleach wipes and resets the area outside the patient room door as necessary for the next doffing event.	15001

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