

Partners in Protection Webinar Series

PREVENTING INFECTION IN EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES



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1.0 hour CAPCE for EMS Professionals* | CE Approval for Police & Corrections[†] | 1 CE for Registered Nurses[§]

Conducting several audience surveys during the AnsellCARES[™] course revealed that 32% of the participants were not required to wear eye protection for all patient interactions; 46% of the participants were not required to wear respirators during patient contact; and 30% considered staffing and COVID-19 transmission to be their biggest infection control-related concern. Four important focus areas recommended for a protective action plan include:



Invest in the Future for personal protection equipment



Build a "People-First" human resource program



Follow Evidence-Based Practices



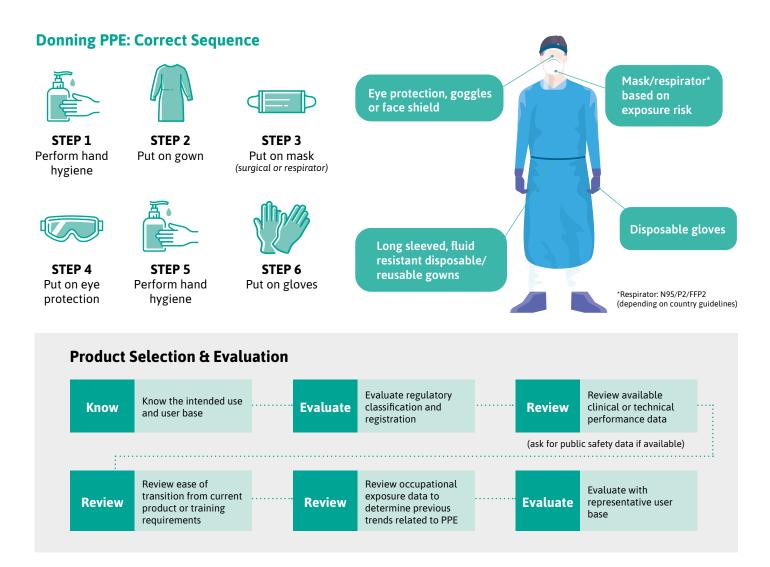
Take all Necessary Steps to Protect EMS Personnel and all first responders

Types of Gowns

Level	Minimal Protection, No Fluid Protection	
Level	Basic Fluid Protection (Ideal Minimum Requirement for Law Enforcement or Fire/EMS)	
Level	Moderate Fluid Protection, Used in EDs, Surgeries, and ICUs	
Level	Complete Fluid Protection, Sterile, Used Commonly in High Risk Surgeries or Traumas	

PPE Challenges in Public Safety

	Fire/EMS	Law Enforcement
Gloves		
Gowns		
Eye Protection		
Surgical Masks and Respirators		
Face Shield		
CPR Rescue Devices		



When Should Hand Hygiene be Performed in EMS Settings?



Importance of Hand Hygiene

- Gloves are not a substitute for hand hygiene
- Wear gloves when cleaning surfaces in the environment or medical equipment
- Remove gloves and perform hand hygiene
 Between each patient
 - Moving from a contaminated to clean area of the same patient



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