

Perioperative Services Competency Assessment - Vanderbilt University Medical Center

Attire, Surgical	Interpretation	Rationale
A. Demonstrates proper surgical attire.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Adheres to dress code policy. 2. All staff may wear short sleeved t-shirt under scrubs. 3. All long sleeve shirts and high lint fabrics worn by non scrubbed staff must be covered by a clean hospital provided scrub jacket in the operating room. 4. Only hospital provided blue scrubs and scrub jackets may be worn in the operating room 5. Hospital provided scrubs and scrub jackets must be laundered daily. 6. Must wear closed toe shoes or cover vented shoes with shoe covers. 7. ID badge should be worn above waist. 8. Personal scrub jackets or lab coats must be worn when leaving the unit. 9. No home laundering of scrub attire is permitted. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Vanderbilt Policy - Dress Code in the Operating Room 2. Scrub clothing should cover under garments. 3. Low lint materials reduce risk of cross-contamination. 4. Reduces # of outside microorganisms being brought into the OR, thereby reducing patient risk for developing a Surgical Site Infection (SSI) 5. Scrub attire worn should be laundered by Vanderbilt Hospital laundry facility for use within the perioperative setting. 6. Closed toe shoes help prevent injuries to the foot, shoe covers provide a fluid resistant barrier. 7. ID badges must not interfere with patient care. 8. Protect scrub attire from soiling. 9. Home water temperatures and dryer temperatures may not be as hot as commercial laundering facilities, to kill all microbes harbored on clothing.
B. Verbalizes when to change scrubs & cover ups.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Visually soiled or wet. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Reduces potential for cross infection & protects personnel from prolonged exposure to potentially harmful bacteria.
C. Demonstrates donning, wearing and disposal of head covers	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. All head, facial hair including sideburns and necklines must be covered by disposable hats / hoods. 2. Reusable hats / hoods should be completely covered by a disposable hat in semi-restricted and restricted areas of the operative suite. 3. Disposable hats / hoods should be discarded after use, when leaving the perioperative area, and when become visibly soiled. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Hair covers eliminate the possibility of hair or dandruff being shed onto the scrub clothing 2. Hair collects bacteria and shedding of hair has been shown to affect surgical wound infection. 3. Hair collects bacteria and shedding of hair has been shown to affect surgical wound infection
D. Demonstrates correct wearing and disposal of surgical mask.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Nose and mouth covered with no venting. 2. Remove mask after each use or when soiled. 3. Remove mask by handling ties only. 4. Remove mask when leaving the perioperative suite. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Masks contain and filter droplet microorganisms.
E. Demonstrates proper use of gloves	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sterile gloves when performing a sterile procedure. 2. Non-sterile gloves when performing other tasks. 3. Change gloves and wash hands between tasks. 4. Fingernails are kept clean, well-cared for, and no longer than ¼ inch from fingertip in length. No artificial fingernails for those providing direct patient care. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Gloves are worn to reduce gross contamination of the hands. 4. Artificial fingernails harbor microorganisms and fungal growth occurs.
F. Demonstrates proper use of eyewear	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Eyewear worn when activities place personnel at risk of splashing or spraying of blood or body fluids. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Reduces the incidence of contamination of mucous membranes.
2. Demonstrates proper use of additional protective attire	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Additional PPE worn when exposed to potentially infectious agents or radiation. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Liquid resistant aprons , gowns, shoe covers, lead aprons 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Reduces the incidence of contamination of mucous membranes of the mouth, nose, and eyes.