Donning and Doffing Sterile Gloves when a Sterile Gown is not Worn

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Best Practice Recommendations



Donning sterile gloves







Perform hand hygiene.

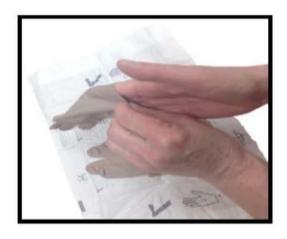
Open the inner glove packaging to expose 2 nd sterile wrapper.





Place the inner package on a clean, dry surface.



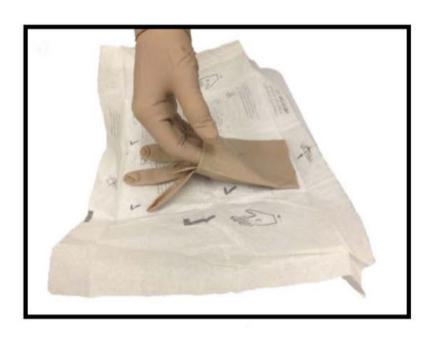


Using only thumb and index finger, grasp the folded cuff edge of the glove.



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Slip the hand into the glove.

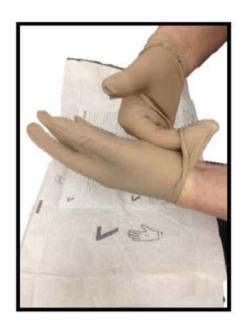




Pick up 2nd glove by sliding gloved hand under the cuff of the glove.









In a single movement, slip the 2nd glove onto the ungloved hand. Do not touch any other surface.

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Adjust the fingers and interdigital spaces.



Unfold the first cuff by gently slipping the fingers of the other hand inside the fold.



The hands are gloved and must only touch sterile devices or the previously disinfected patient body area.

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Adapted from Alberta Health Services "Donning and Doffing of Sterile Gloves When a Sterile Gown is Not Worn"



Doffing sterile gloves









Grasp the outside edge of one cuff with gloved hands, avoid touching the wrist. Pull the glove off, turning it inside out and place it in your hand.

Hold the removed glove in your gloved hand.









Slide an ungloved finder or thumb under the cuff of the remaining glove.

Peel the glove off inside out over the previously removed glove, bagging both gloves.

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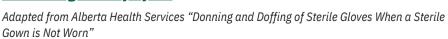


Discard the gloves.



Perform hand hygiene after glove removal.

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Thank you!

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