

## **NVBOP – Gowning and Garbing for Sterile Compounding**

### **Prior to entering the ante room**

- Remove personal outer garments (i.e. coats, hats, vests, scarves, etc.)
- Remove visible jewelry and piercings.
- Remove make-up and artificial nails.
- Natural nails should not be greater than ¼ inch above fingertips.
- Clean personal eye glasses. Clean frames with germicidal agent and lenses with sterile IPA.

### **Ante Room activities**

- Generally don PPE in an order that is considered the cleanest to dirtiest.
- Don head cover and facemask (ensure that all hair and face areas are covered by looking in mirror located in ante room.)
- Don beard cover if necessary.
- Don hood cover if necessary for large beards.
- Don shoe covers or designated clean area shoes. If facility has a line of demarcation in ante room place the covered or designated shoe on the clean side over the line of demarcation as appropriate.
- Remove debris from underneath fingernails using a nail pick.
- Wash hands and forearms to the elbows for at least 30 seconds with soap and water (recommend having clock in ante room).
- Dry hands and forearms using low lint towels.
- Don gown that fits snugly around wrists and neck. (Gowns may be reused during a 12 hour shift but should not be stored next to a sink)

### **Buffer Room activities**

- Apply a waterless alcohol based surgical hand rub with persistent activity and allow hands to dry thoroughly.
- Don sterile gloves using appropriate technique so as to not contaminate sterile areas of the gloves.
- Disinfect sterile gloves with 70% sterile IPA.

### **Isolator Sleeves and Gloves**

- Isolator sleeves and gloves must be checked and cleaned daily.
- Sleeves generally last about 6 months.
- Recommend using regular sterile gloves and changing at least daily.
- Positive pressure gloves can be changed at any time. Negative pressure gloves should be changed before daily cleaning.
- ALWAYS don sterile gloves inside the isolator. They are placed on top of the isolator gloves. Sterile gloves must be used when compounding.

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