

Competency: Personal Protective Equipment

Competency Statement	Method of Validation
Demonstrates proper technique for putting on (donning) and taking off (doffing) personal protective equipment (PPE). Verbalizes knowledge of how PPE helps prevent healthcare-associated infections. Verbalizes knowledge of how to select appropriate PPE based on Standard Precautions and Transmission-Based Precautions.	D = Demonstrate V = Verbalize

Critical Behaviors for Competency

- Verbalize knowledge of the importance of appropriate use of personal protective equipment in preventing healthcare-associated infections.
- Verbalize knowledge of how to select appropriate PPE based on Standard Precautions and Transmission-Based Precautions.
- Demonstrate proper donning and doffing technique using the Personal Protective Equipment Competency Validation/Audit Tool.
- **Frequency:** Suggested on hire, as an ongoing yearly competency, as needed if unit compliance is below %, and if lapses in PPE use contributed to a serious safety event.

Competency Resource:

• VDH: Personal Protective Equipment Competency Validation/Audit Tool

Employee's Name:	Date:	_
(Print full name and include credentials)		

Validator's Name:

Date:

(Print full name and include credentials)