PROTECTIVE CLOTHING FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL OPERATIONS

Members who perform emergency medical care or otherwise are likely to be exposed to blood or other bodily fluids shall be provided with emergency medical garments, emergency medical face protection devices, and emergency medical gloves and to meet the applicable requirements of NFPA 1999, Standard on Protective Clothing for Emergency Medical Operations.

Members shall wear emergency medical gloves when providing emergency medical care. Patient care shall not be initiated before the gloves are in place.

Each member shall use emergency medical garments and emergency medical face protection devices prior to any patient care during which large splashes of bodily fluids can occur, as situations involving spurting blood or childbirth.

Contaminated emergency medical garments, emergency medical face protection devices, and emergency medical gloves shall be cleaned and disinfected or disposed of in accordance with these SOP’s.

Members should dress appropriately while performing emergency medical care. No member should wear flip flops, sandals, or tanktops.

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