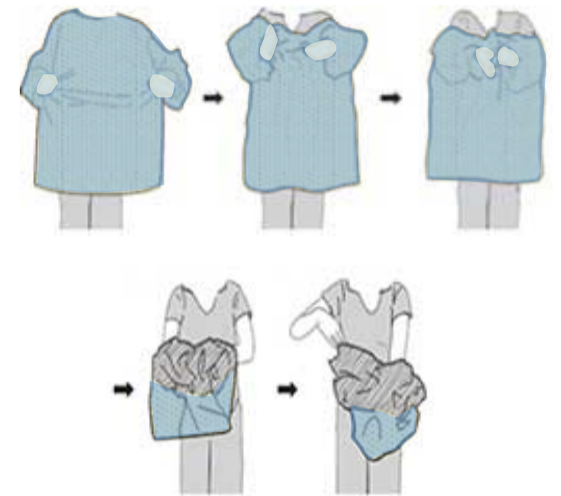# COVID-19: Sequence for Removing (Doffing) Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for Aerosol Generating Procedures (AGPs)

All PPE should be removed at your doorway except for respirator. Remove the respirator after leaving patient room and after the closing door.
PPE should be removed in an order that minimizes the potential for cross contamination

## 1. Gown and gloves



- Gown front and sleeves and the outside of gloves are contaminated!
- Grasp the gown in the front and pull away from your body so that the ties break, touching outside of gown only with gloved hands
- While removing the gown, fold or roll the gown inside-out into a bundle
- As you are removing the gown, peel off your gloves at the same time, only touching the inside of the gloves and gown with your bare hands. Place the gown and gloves into a waste container
- If your hands get contaminated during gown or glove removal, immediately wash your hands or use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer
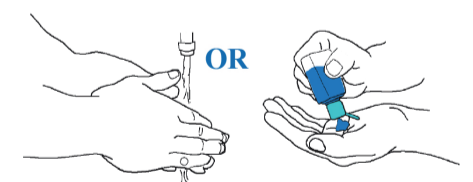
## 2. Goggles or face shield



- Outside of goggles or face shields are contaminated!
- Remove goggles or face shield from the back by lifting headband and without touching the front of the goggles or face shield and then discard in a waste container
- If your hands get contaminated during goggle or face shield removal, immediately wash your hands or use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer

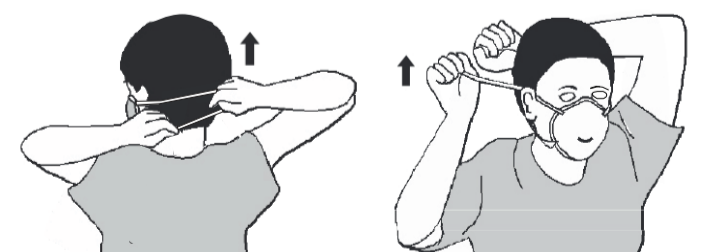## 3. Remove your head cover and shoe cover



## 4. Perform hand hygiene



## 5. Remove your Respirator (Fitted N95 mask)



- Front of respirator is contaminated — DO NOT TOUCH!
- Grasp bottom ties or elastics of the mask/respirator, then the ones at the top, and remove without touching the front
- Discard in a waste container (follow your hospital policy)
- If your hands get contaminated during mask/respirator removal, immediately wash your hands or use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer

## 6. Perform hand hygiene