

CLEANING PROCEDURE

Powered Air Purifying Respirator (PAPR) Headcover Cleaning



PAPR masks are reusable and **MUST** be disinfected between use. The following procedure will ensure we retain adequate stock of PAPR headcovers.

Cleaning instructions for PAPR Headcovers:

Disinfect using purple top, gray top wipes, or orange top wipes. Ensure the wet/contact times are met according to the wipes used: **purple top (2 min)** gray top (3 min) **orange top (4 min)**. Allow to air dry.

1. Perform hand hygiene & don clean gloves.
2. Use a wipe to disinfect the field of vision and under the chin of the headcover to minimize risk of contamination.
3. Remove your gloves. Perform hand hygiene. Don clean gloves.
4. Unfasten the PAPR Belt and set blower on the designated dirty surface. Next, carefully remove headcover. Avoid contaminating your face and mucus membranes. Then, set on the designated "dirty" surface.
5. Remove your gloves. Perform hand hygiene. Don clean gloves for disinfecting the PAPR.
6. Detach all PAPR components. Disinfect components using purple-top, gray-top wipes, or orange-top wipes. – Ensure the wet / contact times are met according to the wipes used (see above).
7. Disinfect breathing tube. Place in clean storage area.
8. With a new wipe, disinfect belt, blower, and battery. Place in clean area.
9. Using a new wipe, disinfect the inside of headcover.
10. With a new wipe, disinfect the outside of headcover.
11. Place in designated "clean" storage area.
12. Disinfect designated "dirty" work surface and wipe dispenser.
13. Remove gloves and discard. Perform hand hygiene.

Disinfected PAPR hoods may be reused on multiple patients by multiple users. PAPR hoods should be replaced if visibly soiled or damaged. Please note: Makeup will stain the PAPR, but it does not mean that it is dirty.

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