

# PPE Safety Coach Community of Practice (CoP)

## Summary **September 28, 2022**

At the PPE Safety Coach CoP, knowledge and experience sharing amongst coaches is welcomed and encouraged. Coaches come together from across the province to discuss and learn from the experiences of others with the same professional interest.

This document summarizes key learnings shared with the coaches to help support the coaching process. Coaches are encouraged to review the key learnings (takeaways) from the sessions if they are unable to attend.

Topic	Summary & Key Learnings
<b>Donning and Doffing Errors</b>	<p>A presentation about the top 3 donning and top 3 doffing errors. This exercise encouraged PPE safety coaches to participate in the CoP by identifying their top 3 donning and top 3 doffing errors observed in their coaching role. The information below was collected as part of the PPE Safety Coach Program evaluation completed in 2021.</p> <p><b>Top 3 donning errors</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. gown donned, but not secured</li><li>2. no hand hygiene</li><li>3. incorrect donning order</li></ol> <p><b>Top 3 doffing errors</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. incorrect doffing order</li><li>2. improper cleaning of reusable eyewear</li><li>3. missed hand hygiene moments during doffing</li></ol>
<b>Donning and Doffing Scenarios</b>	<p>Two scenarios were presented during the session.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. You are the PPE safety coach on the unit today. You notice a healthcare provider (HCP) is in the process of donning their PPE prior to going into the patient's room who is on additional precautions. You noticed that they have put their gloves on before their eye protection.</li><li>2. You are the PPE safety coach on the unit today. You notice an HCP is in the process of doffing their PPE after leaving the patient's room who is on additional precautions. You noticed that they have taken their goggles off before their gloves.</li></ol> <p>There was discussion about coaching in this situation and why it is important to don and doff PPE in the correct order.</p>
<b>PPE Safety Coach Day and November CoP</b>	<p>There will be a dedicated day in November as PPE Safety Coach Day. Hosting a special CoP along with some fun activities to celebrate the PPE Safety Coach Program's 2<sup>nd</sup> anniversary and promote the expansion of the PPE Safety Coach program. Most importantly, we want to set aside a day to recognize and thank the PPE safety coaches for their work and dedication to PPE safety. Watch your email for more information about the events and an invitation to the November CoP.</p>
<b>PPE Questions</b>	<p>If you have any PPE fit concerns, contact your site's Workplace Health and Safety (WHS) advisor.</p> <p>If you have PPE supply questions or ordering concerns, contact your site's Contract Procurement &amp; Supply Management (CPSM) lead.</p> <p>If you have general questions about PPE in Alberta, contact the PPE Task Force: <a href="mailto:ppe@ahs.ca">ppe@ahs.ca</a></p> <p>If you have questions about the Provincial PPE Safety Coach Program, contact us at <a href="mailto:ppesafetycoach@ahs.ca">ppesafetycoach@ahs.ca</a>.</p>
<b>Next CoP</b>	November 2022: Date TBD