

# Ambulance transportation of a possible or confirmed case of infection with Novel Coronavirus(2019-nCoV)

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## NECESSARY MATERIALS

- Surgical mask for ambulance drivers
- Surgical mask for the patient
- Hand sanitiser
- Single-use gown or apron
- Disposable gloves
- Single-use sheet for the stretcher

## COURSE OF ACTION FOR AMBULANCE TRANSPORTATION

**Place a surgical mask on the patient before attending to him or her. The mask should remain in place for the whole journey, until settled in a room in the destination department.**

- Adhere stringently to standard precautions:
- Take additional precautions against “droplets” and “contact” by:
  - Wearing a surgical mask
  - Protecting your work uniform with a single-use, long-sleeve gown or apron
  - Disinfect the hands with hand sanitiser before and after coming into contact with the patient each time
  - Avoid touching your face during treatment
  - Wear single-use gloves in case of contact or the risk of contact with blood, bodily fluids, broken skin or the mucous lining and use hand sanitiser after removing gloves
- Settle the patient in his or her room.
- On leaving the room, remove the gown and mask and dispose of them in an infectious waste bin.
- Also dispose of stretcher protection (single-use sheets or incompetence pads) in infectious waste bins.
- Apply hand sanitiser.

## DECONTAMINATION OF THE STRETCHER AND PATIENT COMPARTMENT

- Thorough decontamination of the stretcher and patient compartment, according to the usual procedures and products.
- The staff member responsible for decontamination should follow the recommendations above (wear a surgical mask, gown and gloves).

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