
* ADDENDUM *

HACKETTSTOWN COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

Division of Nursing

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TITLE: **OPERATING ROOM ATTIRE**

1. All personnel entering restricted areas of the surgical suite are required to wear Operating Room apparel supplied by the hospital. This apparel is made of a fabric which meets the National Fire Protection Association standards and laundered in a facility monitored by HCH.
2. All possible head and facial hair must be covered by a clean scrub hat or hood.
3. All personnel will wear high filtration efficiency disposable masks in the Operating Rooms and substerile areas during surgery except during some urological procedures.
4. Shoe covers will be worn in restricted areas of the surgical suite. Shoe covers are not required if shoes are not worn outside the O.R.
5. Soiled attire should be changed as soon as possible. Masks should be changed after every case. Shoe covers should not be worn outside the O.R. and should be changed daily.
6. Jewelry is to be totally confined within scrub attire. Rings, watches, or bracelets should be removed before hand washing. Fingernails are kept short. Tips but no artificial nails are permitted.
7. Eye protection is to be worn by all members of the surgical team.
8. Any person leaving the O.R. should cover scrub suits with a clean buttoned lab coat. If a lab coat is not worn, a complete change of scrub attire is required before re-entering the O.R.
9. Standard precautions are implemented whenever there is a risk of exposure to infective materials.
10. See hospital Administrative policy for disposition guideline #49.