A friendly reminder regarding our practice related to scrub attire. Please review.

**Clean Attire (Surgical Scrubs)**

**Scrubs**

1. Clean attire (surgical scrubs) should be donned daily in a designated area prior to entering semi-restricted and restricted areas.
2. Health care personnel wearing clean attire (surgical scrubs) need to change into street clothes prior to going outside and don new clean attire (surgical scrubs) prior to re-entry into semi-restricted and restricted areas.
3. Surgical scrub top should be worn close fitting to the body or tucked into scrub pants.
4. Personal clothing can be worn only if completely covered by clean attire (surgical scrubs).
5. When in restricted areas all non-scrubbed personnel should completely cover their arms with a long-sleeved scrub jacket. Jackets should be snapped closed.
6. In the semi-restricted / restricted areas, team members should wear scrub jacket when performing the perioperative skin prep.
7. Lab coats worn over scrubs in unrestricted areas should be clean and be laundered by health-care laundry each day and when contaminated.

**Shoes**

1. Shoes worn within the perioperative environment must have closed toes and backs.
2. Shoes need to be clean and dedicated for use.
3. If shoe covers are worn as PPE they must be removed immediately after use and discarded. Remove shoe covers upon leaving the room following the procedure.

Shoe covers are not a substitute for wearing duty shoes, hosiery or socks.

**Eye Protection**

1. Re-usable eye protection devices worn with surgical masks, such as goggle or personal glasses with solid side shields, should be cleaned before and after performing or assisting with a procedure.

**ID Badges**

1. ID badges should be worn secured on the scrub top or long sleeved jacket. ID badges should be visible. Lanyards should not be worn.

**Masks**

1. The surgical mask should cover the mouth and nose and be secured in a manner that prevents venting at the sides of the mask.
2. Masks are not to be tucked into a pocket or worn hanging around the neck.
3. Change mask between cases. Exceptions are supervising staff or others that are in several rooms for brief periods of time.
4. Remove and discard masks by handling only the ties.
5. Masks should be worn during cleaning of rooms between cases.

**Jewelry / Personal Items**

1. Jewelry that cannot be contained or confined within the scrub attire should not be in semi-restricted and restricted areas.
2. Stethoscopes should not be worn around the neck and need to be cleaned before and after each use.
3. Briefcases, backpacks, and other personal items that are taken into the semi-restricted and restricted areas should be cleaned with low-level disinfectant before entry and upon leaving the area.
4. Cell phones, tablets, and other personal communication devices that are taken into semi-restricted and restricted areas should be cleaned with low-level disinfectant before entry and upon leaving the area. (Gundersen is not responsible for personal property damage).

**Head / Facial Hair Covering**

1. Completely cover your hair, scalp, sideburns, ears and the nape of your neck with a clean hood, bonnet or head covering.
2. Personnel should remove surgical head covering at the end of their shift or when contaminated.
3. Re-usable head coverings should be laundered daily in health care facility.
4. Skull caps will not be allowed.
5. Beard covers must be worn to cover any facial hair that is not contained by a surgical mask.

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