GLOVE USE FOR MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION

Gloves are worn to protect both you and the child from potentially infectious body fluids. Since medication administration techniques may expose you to these fluids, gloves should be worn whenever there is a possibility of contact with:

- Non-intact skin
- Mucous membranes
- Blood
- All body fluids such as:
  - Nasal secretions
  - Saliva
  - Tears
  - Urine
  - Vomit
  - Stool

The following steps explain how to properly put on, remove and dispose of medical gloves.

DONNING

1. Wash hands.
2. Put on a clean pair of gloves. Do not reuse gloves.
3. Administer the treatment or medication or clean the medication prep site.

REMOVAL and DISPOSAL

1. Remove the first glove by pulling at the palm and stripping the glove off. The entire outside surface of the gloves is considered dirty. Have dirty surfaces touch dirty surfaces only.
2. Ball up the first glove in the palm of the other gloved hand.
3. Use the non-gloved hand to strip the other glove off. Insert a finger underneath the glove at the wrist and push the glove up and over the glove in the palm. The inside surface of your glove and your ungloved hand are considered clean. Be careful to touch clean surfaces to clean surfaces only. Do not touch the outside of the glove with your ungloved hand.
4. Drop the dirty gloves into a plastic lined trash receptacle.
5. Wash hands.

Glove use does not replace hand washing. Providers must always wash their hands after removing and disposing of medical gloves.