

Psychiatric clinic simulation

Receiving a patient with, or suspected of having, Corona infection

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Learning goals

Carry out the correct infectious disease transmission protection procedure when receiving a patient suspected of, or actually having, Corona infection.

Available equipment

- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE): gown, face mask, gloves, visor
- Hand and surface disinfectant
- Container for contaminated waste and normal waste
- Metal detector (or similar)
- Plastic bag for storage of mobile phone and small personal effects

Patient description

A patient with a known psychiatric disorder arrives at the relevant psychiatric ward (HBergen:Pam 1 (alternatively S1 or S5) accompanied by psychiatric unit ambulance personnel. The patient has arrived from the Bergen City emergency clinic after a notification of concern from neighbours, since he has recently appeared paranoid and confused. The patient is coughing and has body aches. His temperature was 38.5 °C at the Bergen City emergency clinic. Corona infection is suspected and tests have been taken at the clinic for this. Because of his mental condition, the patient is being admitted to the hospital's emergency psychiatric ward for evaluation. The patient appears confused but is otherwise calm and cooperative. He is wearing a medical face mask from the ambulance.

Situation

The patient is received by nurses and, if necessary, a specialist. He is to hand over his personal effects and disinfect his hands before being escorted into the patient room.

For the standardized patient:

The patient shall come across as moderately confused, but cooperative. He hands over what he has in his pockets, which are keys and a mobile phone. He also hands over a bag of personal effects he has with him. The patient touches several surfaces before applying hand disinfectant. He then cooperates willingly and goes into the room.

For personnel

- Before the patient arrives, protective gear (PPE) must be put on according to procedure: gown, gloves face mask and visor/glasses
- One person takes the patient's personal effects and goes through these
- One person takes responsibility for getting the patient to disinfect his hands, put on a face mask and follow him to the room.
- All mandatory protective measures must be carried out after the patient is escorted to the room.
- Personnel must then remove PPE protective gear according to approved procedure before the simulation ends.