## PPE Safety Coach Community of Practice (CoP) Summary August 24, 2021

At the PPE Safety Coach CoP, knowledge and experience sharing amongst coaches is welcomed and encouraged. Coaches come together from across the province to discuss and learn from the experiences of others with the same professional interest.

This document summarizes key learnings shared with the coaches to help support the coaching process. Coaches are encouraged to review the key learnings (takeaways) from the sessions if they are unable to attend.

Topic/Speaker	Summary	
Dofficer on Patrol Speaker: Infection Control Professional, North Zone	<ul> <li>An overview of the creation of North Zone Dofficer Program in May of 2020 was provided -</li> <li>Purpose for creating the need for the dofficer program.</li> <li>Leadership support.</li> <li>Implementation process</li> <li>Unit expectations for dofficers</li> <li>Challenges</li> <li>Secondary Dofficer training</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Key learnings</li> <li>Peer safety, Support, mentorship, communication</li> <li>The lessons learned from the creation of the dofficer program assisted in the creation of the Provincial PPE Safety Coach program.</li> </ul>
PPE Safety Speaker: Director, Infection Prevention and Control, North Zone	<ul> <li>An update of the activities of the PPE Task force both over time and what will be evolving as we move forward:</li> <li>Historical background of the last 18 months with the pandemic and PPE</li> <li>Continuous masking</li> <li>Continuous eye protection</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Key learnings</li> <li>Continuous masking is an excellent source control is done correctly, zero cases of influenza in the last year.</li> <li>Changes for eye protection, staff off work due to exposure, increased vaccinated staff. Who should still use it and when it's required.</li> <li>Increased staff and patient safety</li> </ul>
Learning Scenario Project Manager, Infection Prevention and Control, North Zone	Situational Learning scenario	Scenario for PPE safety Coach CoP.dc
PPE Questions	If you have any PPE fit concerns, contact your site's Workplace Health and Safety (WHS) Advisor. If you have PPE supply questions or ordering concerns, contact your site's Contract Procurement & Supply Management (CPSM) Lead. If you have general questions about PPE in Alberta, contact the PPE Task Force: <u>ppe@ahs.ca</u> If you have questions about the Provincial PPE Safety Coach Program, contact us at <u>ppesafetycoach@ahs.ca</u>	
Next CoP	Tuesday September 28th, 2021 2:00-2:45 p.m.	

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