



Appendix A: Monkeypox – Pre-entry screening tool

Assessment should be made at a distance of 1 metre or more and prior to entering the environment if possible, to ensure correct PPE can be donned prior to treatment if needed. If AOC have already given indication of monkeypox then Level 3 PPE should be donned prior to attending the patient.

Q	Question	Response	Action
A	Does the person have a blistering rash on any part of their body PLUS one or more of the symptoms to the right since 15th March 2022?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acute illness with fever (over 38.5c) • Intense headaches • Muscle aches, joint pain or back pain • Swollen glands 	Yes/No If yes, follow PPE guidance for HCID below
B	Has patient travelled internationally within the previous 21 days?	Record area of travel details for further assessment of likelihood of case.	Yes/No If also presenting any symptoms in section A (including rash) don Level 3 PPE.
C	Has the person had contact with a confirmed or probable monkeypox case within 21 days of symptom onset	Record these details for further indication of likelihood of case.	Yes/No If also presenting any symptoms in section A (including rash) don Level 3 PPE.

Table 1: Pre assessment screening

If the screening questions or presentation of the patient indicate possibility of monkeypox then utilise Level 3 PPE as indicated below in table 2.



	Disposable gloves	Apron	Disposable overall	Surgical mask	FFP3 / PAPR	Eye protection / face visor
Droplet / Contact PPE – Minimum for all direct patient care Level 2 PPE	Single use	Single use	N/A	Type IIR	N/A	Risk assess as required Single use / Reusable
Airborne PPE (During AGPs or where a suspected airborne pathogen is present e.g. monkeypox) Level 3 PPE	Single use	N/A	Single use	N/A	FFP3 / Hood PAPR	Single use / Reusable Full face visor with FFP3 mask

Table 2: PPE requirements

The receiving unit should be notified of any suspect monkeypox cases prior to handover to ensure that provisions are made for isolation and testing by the local team. Any clinical waste/contaminated linen produced should be disposed of as CAT A waste at the receiving unit following local discussion.

Following conveyance the vehicle will require a decontamination clean using detergent followed by 1.000ppm of all equipment and surfaces as outlined in the main guidance. FFP3/Coveralls/gloves/eye protection/ are required for this task also and waste should be disposed of as cat A waste.

Reporting

Where a potential case has been identified the EEAST COVID team needs to be informed to assess follow up actions and document the case for contact tracing purposes. Ensure AOC were informed where a potential case was identified whether they were conveyed or not. Datix any probable or confirmed HCID transfer.

Please refer to the main Monkeypox guidance for more detail - [Monkeypox Homepage \(eastamb.nhs.uk\)](http://eastamb.nhs.uk)