**Infection Prevention and Control Checklist for students on programmes formally linked to LAS (appendix B)**

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| This checklist should be completed by the responsible authorising person e.g. LGMs, SSMs, NETs or Operations manager or delegated responsible person and observer within 24 hours prior of observer shift commencing. Each question must be answered yes or no with a tick and the initials of the responsible authorising person. If any question is answered **no**, then the ambulance observer should not proceed with the shift.  Please note; this checklist applies double crew ambulance vehicles only, non-essential **observational ride-outs in solo response vehicles remains suspended**. This form should be completed in addition to the usual observer form and a copy retained / submitted alongside the normal observer form. |

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| **Who is my observer Yes No** | | |
| Is the observer is a student on an LAS formally linked programme (approved by LAS Deputy CEO and/or Head of LAS IPC) |  |  |

| **Additional Infection Prevention measures;** | | |
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| **Pre-requisite of observer shifts: Yes No** | | |
| Observer has been vaccinated for COVID-19 (1st, 2nd dose and booster (where eligible) unless medically exempt. The second dose must have been administered 14 days prior to ride-out and within 6 months. |  |  |
| A negative lateral flow test within 24 hours prior to ride out has been undertaken by observer and recorded appropriately on the NHS app. |  |  |
| The observer has confirmed they are well and are not experiencing any [signs or symptoms](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection#symptoms) of COVID-19. |  |  |
| The observer is not currently living with anyone with any [signs or symptoms](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-home-guidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection#symptoms) of COVID-19. |  |  |
| **Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)** | | |
| The observer understands that a fluid resistant surgical mask must be worn at all times when in an ambulance or attending a patient |  |  |
| Observers have been assessed as competent to don and doff PPE (fluid repellent surgical mask) as detailed in [LAS COVID-19 IPC & Patient facing guidance](https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-body/best-way-to-wash-your-hands/) and are able to implement compliance with extended use. |  |  |
| Fit-testing for FFP3 mask is not required. Observer is aware that they must not take part in any Aerosol Generating Procedure (AGPs) and remove themselves when asked to do so by attending clinicians. |  |  |
| **Safe Management of the Care Environment** | | |
| Mechanical ventilation is functioning and on when the vehicle is in motion. When the vehicle is stationary (engine and siren off), windows should be open to increase natural ventilation, even if only for short periods of time. |  |  |
| Ambulance observers are advised and aware that they must travel in the front cab of the ambulance during conveyance of a patient. |  |  |
| **Hand Hygiene** | | |
| Observers are assessed as competent and understand hand hygiene as per WHO 5 moments: using either ABHR or soap and water. [A quick guide](https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-body/best-way-to-wash-your-hands/) is available for non-clinicians |  |  |
| **Other** |  |  |
| 2 meters physical distancing will be maintained where possible. |  |  |

Name of Observer …………………………………………. Name of authorising person…………………………………….. Date of form completion…………………

Date of observer shift …………………