

Glossary of Terms and Acronyms Used in this Course

Doff	Remove personal protective equipment. “Doff your respirator” means “remove your respirator”.
Don	Put on PPE. “Don your respirator” means “put on your respirator”.
Fit test	Special respirator testing conducted by a trained tester. Healthcare worker is tested with and without a respirator using a hood and a harmless bitter or sweet solution. Testing is done the first time a new respirator is worn. The test is to see if this brand, manufacturer and size of respirator blocks aerosols from the healthcare worker’s nose and mouth.
Fit check User seal check Placement check	All three terms mean the same thing: A test a healthcare worker does when he or she dons a respirator. The test is to make sure the respirator is seated correctly on the face so that no aerosols can enter.
Immunization (or Immunisation)	Your body’s reaction to a vaccination. The vaccine stimulates your immune system to recognize the disease and protect you from future infection.
MOH (or MoH)	Ministry of Health
PEP	Post-exposure prophylaxis
PPE	Personal protective equipment
Sharps	Anything that can cut the skin: broken glass, a needle with or without syringe, lancet, scalpel, infusion set
Sharps container Sharps box Safety box	<p>All three of these terms mean the same thing: A box used to safely contain used sharps to prevent injury. The box or container may be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• plastic (such as an empty bleach bottle or a purchased plastic container made for sharps or• a World Health Organization-approved treated cardboard box. <p>The container or box must have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A lid with a large enough hole for sharps• Thick, puncture-proof walls• Leak-proof sides and bottom and• A biohazard label <p>It should also be large enough to hold sharps over a number of days.</p>
SOP	Standard operating procedures
Vaccination	When a vaccine is administered to you (usually by injection).