



Garment Plant Makes Cloth Gowns for GDC



Back in June, Pulaski Garment Plant began making level 1 isolation gowns Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for the Georgia Department of Corrections (GDC). A level 1 isolation gown, is a non-surgical and minimal-to-low barrier gown. This fabric is normally used for basic care at hospitals and is recognized by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) and meets Association for the Advancement of Medical Instrumentation (AAMI) standards. The gowns are Kimono style, which have curved armholes, open back, ties at front waist and back of neck and has elastic cuffs.

Eight offenders are involved in the manufacturing of the level 1 gowns according to specifications by following these detailed steps: (1) cut 5 pieces (body, 2 sleeves, neck & waist tie) according to specifications (2) serge around all finished ends of the gown body (3) fold and sew sleeves together (4) serge elastic into sleeve ends (5) serge inset sleeve to the body (6) bind the neck tie to neckline, (7) tack the waist tie to the body for a finished gown. Serge sewing is overlocking stitches.

Pulaski manufactures 60 gowns daily or 240 gowns per week. We are very grateful for the staff and offenders at Pulaski for their efforts; giving GCI more opportunities to provide essential products for all GDC facilities.

