



DROPLET and CONTACT PRECAUTIONS CONTINUING CARE



SINGLE ROOM RECOMMENDED WITH DEDICATED EQUIPMENT

EVERYONE MUST:



Clean hands when entering and leaving room



STAFF MUST:



- ✓ Wear mask, eye protection, when within 2 metres or 6 feet of resident
- ✓ Wear gown and gloves when providing direct care or for direct contact with items in room
- ✓ Discard ALL PPE on leaving room

VISITORS MUST:



- ✓ Check with nursing staff before entering room
- ✓ Wear mask, eye protection, when within 2 metres or 6 feet of resident
- ✓ Wear gown and gloves when providing direct care
- ✓ Discard ALL PPE on leaving room

RESIDENTS:



- When residents must leave their room:
- ✓ Wear clean clothing and procedure mask

DROPLET and CONTACT PRECAUTIONS CONTINUING CARE USE IN ADDITION TO ROUTINE PRACTICES

Additional Information – Also see Droplet and Contact Precautions Information Sheet.

- Single room and bathroom recommended whenever possible. If room sharing: ensure separation of at least 2 metres between residents and between beds; dedicate a bathroom or commode for each resident; pull privacy curtains between residents.
- Door may remain open.
- Dedicate equipment to the isolated resident or clean and disinfect shared equipment after use.
- Do not share items (e.g., puzzles, books, and electronics) that cannot be cleaned and disinfected.
- Rooms should contain a dedicated linen bag. Do not overfill bags. Double bag only if leaking.
- All high touch surfaces in the resident's room must be cleaned at least daily with facility approved products and procedures.

Some Organisms Requiring DROPLET and CONTACT Precautions (not all inclusive)

- Adenovirus
- Influenza (see reminder below)
- Rhinovirus
- Enterovirus
- Parainfluenza
- Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV)

Wear a new gown and gloves to enter resident room or bed space when:

- providing direct care (e.g., **bathing, washing, turning the resident, changing clothing, continence care, dressing changes, care of open wounds/lesion or toileting**).
- having any contact with items in resident room (*including gathering and handling specimens*)
- cleaning any areas in the resident room

Wear mask, eye protection, when within 2 metres or 6 feet of resident

Remember!

- If the resident has diarrhea it is recommended that soap and water be used for hand hygiene after removing gloves instead of alcohol-based hand rub. (AHS Hand Hygiene Procedure, Oct 2011)
- Influenza A or B (confirmed or suspected) + Aerosol Generating Medical Procedure (AGMP) = N95 Respirator. If a resident is suspected or confirmed to have Influenza A or B and AGMPs are required e.g., intubation, open tracheal suctioning, CPR, bronchoscopy, sputum induction, BiPAP, high frequency oscillatory ventilation, tracheostomy care, aerosolized medication administration, then a fit tested N95 respirator is to be worn for respiratory protection (not a procedure mask).
- The room door is to remain closed during AGMP.