

Isolation Cart – Key Points

Central Zone Infection Prevention and Control (IPC)

When setting up the isolation cart **always refer** to the type of isolation required as per the Diseases and Conditions Table.

[The IPC Acute Care Resource Manual Diseases and Conditions Table](#)

[The Continuing Care IPC Resource Manual Diseases and Conditions Table](#)

Cart set-up

- **Alcohol-based hand rub** (ABHR) must be on the cart or readily available.
- **Cleaner/disinfectant** and only the **personal protective equipment** (PPE) required for the specific isolation, no other supplies to be on the cart.
- Storage space must be adequate for all supplies needed. If unable to **protect supplies** from environment, store in drawers or covered containers.
- Choose from the cart the **appropriate additional precaution poster** to place on the door. Additional Precaution posters are available on the appropriate tab for the resource manuals [Acute Care](#) or [Continuing Care](#).
- Choose **additional posters** to place on the door:
[Donning](#), [Doffing](#), and [AGMP In Progress poster](#)

Supplies Required	Contact	Droplet	Contact & Droplet	Airborne*	Airborne* & Contact	Contact Sporicidal Clean
Gloves	✓		✓		✓	✓
Gowns	✓		✓		✓	✓
N95 Respirator			✓ for AGMP**	✓	✓	
Procedure Mask		✓	✓	✓ patient	✓ patient	
Eye Protection		✓	✓			
ABHR	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Soap & Water recommended
Cleaner/disinfectant	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Sporicidal (bleach-based) product

*Airborne – door to room must remained closed. Doff N95 once outside the room and door closed.

**AGMP Guidance Tool – [Aerosol Generating Medical Procedure](#)

Additional information on the management of isolation carts can be obtained from the [IPC Best Practice Recommendations for Selection and Management \(Maintenance, Handling, and Cleaning\) of Isolation Carts](#).