CONTACT & DROPLET PRECAUTIONS

STOP

CLEAN YOUR HANDS WHEN ENTERING AND EXITING ROOM

STAFF AND VISITORS

PATIENTS UPON LEAVING ROOM

VISITORS:

PLEASE CHECK WITH NURSING STAFF BEFORE ENTERING ROOM.

VISITORS TO WEAR FACIAL PROTECTION IN ROOM.

GOWN AND GLOVES IF ASSISTING WITH CARE.

(FOR ESSENTIAL PURPOSES ONLY) (PROCEDURE MASK, CLEAN GOWN/ CLOTHES AND HANDS)

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SINGLE ROOM RECOMMENDED WITH DEDICATED EQUIPMENT

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Acute Care
Use in Addition to Routine Practices

Additional Information

- Single room recommended
- Door may remain open
- Clean your hands before and after wearing gloves
- Maintain a distance of at least 2 meters between patients
- Dedicate equipment to the isolated patient or clean and disinfect shared equipment after use
- **Soap and water recommended for hand hygiene when providing care of patients diarrhea and/or vomitting after removing gloves instead of Alcohol-Based Hand Rub.** (AHS Hand Hygiene Procedure, June 2017)
- Patient to leave room only for **essential** purposes
- If patients are leaving the room they should be cognitively intact or supervised, have clean hands and clothing and any drainage and/or body fluids contained

Common Organisms Requiring CONTACT/DROPLET Precautions (not all inclusive)

- Adenovirus
- Human Metapneumovirus
- Influenza (see reminder below)
- Rhinovirus
- Enterovirus
- Parainfluenza
- Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV)
- Norovirus
- Invasive Group A *Streptococcus*

Remember!

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If a patient 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).

Refer to the AHS Infection Prevention & Control Manual for additional information

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