

# CONTACT PRECAUTIONS



**CLEAN YOUR HANDS WHEN ENTERING AND EXITING ROOM**



## STAFF AND VISITORS



### VISITORS:

**PLEASE CHECK WITH NURSING STAFF BEFORE ENTERING ROOM.**

**GOWN AND GLOVE ONLY IF ASSISTING WITH CARE.**

## PATIENTS UPON LEAVING ROOM



**(FOR ESSENTIAL PURPOSES ONLY)  
(CLEAN GOWN/CLOTHES AND HANDS)**

**SINGLE ROOM RECOMMENDED  
WITH DEDICATED EQUIPMENT**

# Contact Precautions

## Acute Care

### Use in Addition to Routine Practices

#### Additional Information

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- Single room recommended
- Door may remain open
- Clean your hands before and after wearing gloves
- Dedicate equipment to the isolated patient or clean and disinfect shared equipment after use
- Patient to leave room only for **essential** purposes. If patients are leaving their 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 Precautions (not all inclusive)

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- MRSA (Methicillin Resistant *Staphylococcus aureus*)
- VRE (Vancomycin Resistant *Enterococcus*)
- Scabies
- CPO (Carbapenemase producing organisms)

#### Remember!

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**Soap and water recommended for hand hygiene when providing care for patients with diarrhea and/or vomiting instead of Alcohol-Based Hand Rub.**

(AHS Hand Hygiene Procedure, June 2017)