

IPC COVID-19 Additional Precautions without Walls in Shared Patient Care Space

Example of space for patient on additional precautions within shared patient room

Keep curtain drawn to create a barrier

Patients requiring Airborne Precautions cannot be isolated within shared rooms.



To apply additional precautions without walls, place PPE cart outside of shared room or outside of isolated bedspace on a multi-patient unit. Additional precautions space must have:

- appropriate **additional precautions** sign
- drawn curtain or other physical barrier
- ABHR at point of care
- dedicated equipment such as:
 - garbage can;
 - linen bag;
 - sharps disposal;
 - washroom **or** commode;
 - disposable equipment **or** reusable equipment;
 - cleaning equipment.

Clean equipment, remove PPE and perform hand hygiene before leaving additional precautions space. Refer to AHS hand hygiene Policy and Procedure).

Contact your site's IPC team for more information on additional precautions without walls and patient management.