Duration of Precautions for Viral Respiratory Illnesses

Supportive living accommodations

Use Droplet and Contact precautions during the isolation period. After the isolation period ends encourage residents to use added precautions.¹

Isolation period

- Duration of resident isolation will vary based on clinical presentation.
- Isolate resident with respiratory illness² on <u>Droplet and Contact precautions</u> until:
 - Symptoms have improved AND
 - Resident is feeling well enough to resume normal activities AND
 - Resident has been fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication.
- Encourage resident to clean hands well and often.

Added precautions after isolation ends

for 24 hours without the use of

fever-reducing medication.

For five days after isolation ends, resident is strongly encouraged to:

- Clean hands well and often.
- Wear a mask in common areas in the facility and in public spaces.
 - Practice physical distancing or return to room if needing to remove mask, such as during meals.

Figure 1: Isolation period and added precautions after isolation ends



• Wear a mask in common areas of the facility and in public places.

¹ This information is from Appendix B in <u>Guide for Outbreak Prevention & Control in Supportive Living</u> <u>Accommodations.</u> Refer to the guide for more information.



² This includes Adenovirus, COVID-19, Enterovirus/ Rhinovirus, Human Metapneumovirus (hMPV), Influenza A and Influenza B, Non-COVID-19 Coronaviruses, Parainfluenza Type 1, 2, 3, 4, Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) or if no pathogen is identified.