



STANDARD PRECAUTIONS



(If you have questions, ask nursing staff)

Everyone Must:



Clean hands when entering and leaving room

Cover mouth and nose with arm or tissue when coughing or sneezing

Wear gown, glove, and face protection for any risk of body fluid contact



Doctors and Staff Must:

Wear appropriate mask, eye cover, gown and gloves if contact with body fluids likely



Standard Precautions

If the patient has diarrhea and/or C. difficile add Contact Enteric Precautions

Display sign outside the door. At patient discharge, remove sign after room is terminally cleaned.

Standard Precautions is routine care that is provided to ALL patients.

Hand Hygiene:

- Before and after every patient contact, wash or sanitize hands.
- Remove gloves and clean hands when moving from dirty to clean procedures.

Gloves, Gowns, Masks, and Eye Protection

Use before coming into contact with non-intact skin, blood, body fluids, or secretions.

Personal Protective Equipment:

Standard and Tear-away Gown

Three-part Gown

Put ON in this order: 1. <u>Wash or gel hands</u> 2. Gown 3. Mask (if needed) 4. Eye cover (if needed) 5. Gloves	Put ON in this order: 1. <u>Wash or gel hands</u> 2. Gown (if needed) 3. Mask 4. Eye cover 5. Gloves (if needed)
Take OFF & dispose in this order: 1. Gloves 2. Eye cover (if used) 3. Gown 4. Mask (if used) 5. <u>Wash or gel hands</u> (even if gloves used)	Take OFF & dispose in this order: 1. Gown and gloves at the same time (grab gown and pull off gloves in one movement) 2. Eye cover 3. Mask 4. <u>Wash or gel hands</u> (even if gloves used)

Equipment and Supplies:

- Only essential supplies and equipment in room.
- Clean and disinfect reusable equipment including IV pumps, cell phone or pagers (if used in room), and other electronics, supplies, and equipment prior to removing from patient's room.
- Ensure blood pressure cuff and stethoscope are cleaned and disinfected between patients.

Room Cleaning:

Follow facility policy for Standard Precautions disinfection and curtain change requirements.

Discontinue precautions as per Facility Policy or Infection Prevention and Control Team

