



CONTACT ENTERIC PRECAUTIONS



(In addition to Standard Precautions)

Families and Visitors follow instructions from information sheet.

(If you have questions, go to Nurse Station)

Everyone Must:



Clean hands with sanitizer when entering room and wash with SOAP AND WATER upon leaving the room.

Doctors and Staff Must:



Gown and glove at door.



Use patient dedicated or disposable equipment. Clean and disinfect shared equipment.

This sign to be removed by Environmental Services after room cleaned.

Contact Enteric Precautions

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

Display sign outside the door. Remove sign after room is cleaned.

Common Conditions:

- Acute diarrhea with unknown etiology
- Clostridium *difficile* (C. *difficile*, C. *diff*)
- Norovirus
- Rotavirus

Dietary:

Family and visitors should not eat in the room.

Dishes/Utensils:

No special precautions. Kitchenware sanitized in dishwasher.

Equipment and Supplies:

- Use dedicated or disposable equipment when available.
- 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.
- Only essential supplies in room.

Linen Management:

Bag linen in the patient's room.

Patient Identification Procedure:

Use patient label for validation of patient identity and destroy in room after use.

Personal Protective Equipment: USE SOAP AND WATER TO WASH HANDS WHEN LEAVING ROOM

Put **ON** in this order:

1. Wash or gel hands
2. Gown
3. Mask (if needed)
4. Eye cover (if needed)
5. Gloves

Take **OFF** & dispose in this order:

1. Gloves
2. Eye cover (if used)
3. Gown
4. Mask (if used)
5. Must wash with soap and water (even if gloves used)

Private Room:

If not available, room with patient that has the same organism but no other infection.

Room Cleaning:

Thorough cleaning for enteric precautions with cubicle curtain changes per hospital procedure.

Clean and disinfect with chlorine-based disinfectant as per hospital policy.

Transport:

Essential transport only. Place patient in clean gown. Clean and disinfect transport vehicle. Alert receiving department regarding patient's isolation precaution status.

Discontinue precautions as per hospital policy or Infection Preventionist instructions.