AEROSOL CONTACT PRECAUTIONS

STOP PRECAUTIONS In addition to Standard Precautions Only essential personnel should enter this room If you have questions ask nursing staff

Everyone Must: including visitors, doctors & staff

Clean hands when entering and leaving room

Respirator

Use a NIOSH-approved N95 or equivalent or higher-level respirator especially during aerosolizing procedures

Mask Face mask is acceptable if respirator is not available and for visitors.*

Wear eye protection (face shield or goggles)

Gown and glove at door

*Facilities should follow CDC's PPE Optimization Strategies to conserve PPE.

KEEP DOOR CLOSED

Use patient dedicated or disposable equipment Clean and disinfect shared equipment

Contact Infection Control prior to discontinuing Precautions





Aerosol Contact Precautions

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

LIMIT VISITORS AND DOCUMENT ANYONE WHO HAS CONTACT WITH THE PATIENT AND NOTIFY EMPLOYEE HEALTH

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

For use with:

Novel respiratory viruses including COVID-19

Dishes/Utensils:

No special precautions. Kitchenware sanitized in dishwasher.

Equipment and Supplies:

- Only essential supplies in room.
- Use dedicated or disposable equipment when available.
- Minimize use of cellphones/pagers.
- Clean and disinfect reusable equipment including intravenous pumps, cellphone or pagers (if used in room), and other electronics, supplies, and other equipment prior to removing from patient's room.
- Ensure blood pressure cuff and stethoscope are cleaned and disinfected between patients.

Waste and Linen Management:

For COVID-19, follow local and state public health guidelines Category B for medical waste handling. Bag linen in the patient's room.

Private Room:

If not available, room with patients that have the same organism but no other infection.

Room Cleaning:

Routine cleaning procedures with addition of cubical curtain changes per hospital procedure.

Transport:

Essential transport only. Patient should remain in room except for medical necessity. Patient should wash their hands. Place patient in clean gown. Place surgical mask on patient. Clean and disinfect transport vehicle. Alert receiving department regarding patient's isolation precaution status.

Personal Protective Equipment:

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