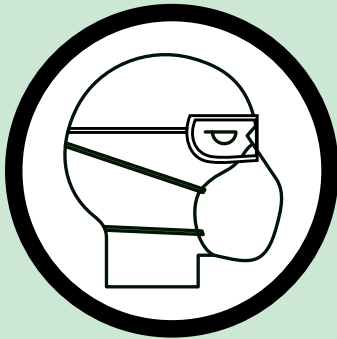


DROPLET PRECAUTIONS

EVERYONE MUST



- Clean hands when entering and leaving room
- Follow Standard Precautions



- Wear mask
- Wear eye protection if splash/spray to eyes likely

DOCTORS AND STAFF MUST



If contact with body fluids likely, use gown, glove, mask and eye protection



Droplet Precautions

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

Family and other visitors to follow precautions.

Common Conditions:

- Seasonal Influenza
- Bacterial Meningitis (N. meningitidis)
- Pertussis (whooping cough)
- Mumps

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 intravenous pumps, cell phone or pagers (if used in room), 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.
- Only essential supplies in room.

Linen Management:

Bag linen in the patient's room.

Personal Protective Equipment:

Put **ON** in this order:

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

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

1. Gloves (if used)
2. Eye cover
3. Gown (if used)
4. Mask
5. Wash or sanitize hands (even if gloves used)

Private Room:

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

Room Cleaning:

Routine cleaning procedures with the addition of cubicle curtain changes if visibly soiled.

Transport:

Essential transport only and place surgical mask on patient. Clean and disinfect transport vehicle. Alert receiving department regarding patient's isolation precaution status.

Discontinue precautions as per hospital policy or Infection Preventionist instructions.