

# SPECIAL DROPLET **CONTACT PRECAUTIONS**



PRECAUCIONES ESPECIALES PARA LA TRANSMISIÓN POR CONTACTO Y POR GOTAS

Family/Visitors should not visit if having signs or symptoms of an infection or a communicable disease. Visitation also based on facility's policy.

Los familiares y visitantes no deben visitar si tienen señales o síntomas de infección o de una enfermedad contagiosa. Las visitas también dependen de la política de la instalación.

Follow instructions below before entering room. Antes de entrar a la habitación, siga las instrucciones a continuación.



## All Healthcare Personnel must:

Todo el personal de atención médica debe:

Clean hands before entering and when leaving room.

Lavarse las manos antes de entrar y antes de salir de la habitación.





Wear a gown when entering room and remove before leaving.

Usar una bata al entrar y quitársela antes de salir.





Wear N95 or higher level respirator before entering the room and remove after exiting.

Usar un respirador N95 o un respirador de nivel superior antes de entrar a la habitación y quitárselo después de salir.





Protective eyewear (face shield or goggles)

Protección para los ojos (careta o gafas protectoras)





Wear gloves when entering room and remove before leaving.

Usar guantes al entrar a la habitación y quitárselos antes de salir.





Place in private room. Keep door closed (if safe to do so).

Colocar en habitación privada. Mantenga la puerta cerrada (si es seguro hacerlo).

Additional PPE may be required per Standard Precautions.

Es posible que se exija utilizar equipo de protección personal adicional según las precauciones estándar.

### **Special Droplet Contact Precautions**

Remove sign after room is terminally cleaned upon discharge or discontinuation of precautions.

#### **Common conditions (per CDC guidelines)**

SARs, COVID-19

**Mpox** 

#### **Room Placement:**

Place patient in a single-person room. Keep the door closed UNLESS it poses a safety risk (i.e., fall, memory care units). Dedicated bathroom should be in the room. When private rooms are unavailable, place together in the same room persons who are colonized or infected with the same pathogen.

Aerosol Generating Procedures (AGPs) should be performed in an Airborne Infection Isolation Room (AIIR)

if available.

#### **Personal Protective Equipment:**

#### Put on in this order

- · Alcohol based handrub or wash with soap and water if visibly soiled
  - Gown
- Fit tested NIOSH approved respirator (N95) or higher level respirator

Healthcare worker must be fit tested for respirator and visitors should see nurse for proper use.

- Put on eye protection (face shield or goggles)
  - Gloves

#### Take off and dispose in this order

- Gloves
- Eye Protection- Remove goggles or face shield from the back by lifting head band or ear pieces
- Gown- Unfasten gown ties, taking care that sleeves don't contact your body when reaching for ties.
   Pull gown away from neck and shoulders, touching inside of gown only.
- N95 respirator- Do NOT grasp front of the respirator. Grasp bottom elastics then the ones at the top.
  - Alcohol based handrub or wash hands with soap and water if visibly soiled.

#### **Dishes/Utensils:**

No special precautions. Should be managed in accordance with routine procedures.

#### **Room Cleaning:**

Follow facility policy for Special Droplet Contact Precautions

#### **Trash and Linen Management:**

Bag linen and trash in patient/resident room (double bagging of trash or linen is not necessary unless outside of bag visibly contaminated).

#### **Transport:**

Essential transport only. Place patient/resident in a medical grade mask. Clean and disinfect transport equipment. Alert receiving department regarding patient/resident isolation precaution status.

#### **Duration of Precautions:**

For guidance for duration of precautions, follow Appendix A- Type and Duration of Precautions Recommended for Selected Infections and Conditions within the CDC's 2007 Guideline for Isolation