

STANDARD PRECAUTIONS+

DROPLET + CONTACT ISOLATION

Prior to entering the room*:

*Visitors – see Nurse before entering



CLEAN HANDS



GOWN



MASK + EYE
PROTECTION



GLOVES

DROPLET + CONTACT

PATIENTS in DROPLET + CONTACT ISOLATION

- Place in a PRIVATE ROOM, unless a shared space has been approved by Infection Prevention
- Must wear MASK over mouth and nose when outside patient room or care area
- Are encouraged to remain in the room except for essential purposes
- Unit policy permitting, continent, cooperative, and clean patients may ambulate in hallways after donning a clean hospital gown, mask (as above), covering affected area as applicable (e.g. wound), and cleaning hands; may NOT enter communal spaces (play/school room, solarium, cafeteria, etc.)

STAFF Caring for Patients in DROPLET + CONTACT ISOLATION

ISOLATION CADDY	Place caddy outside patient room containing:	• GOWNS • MASKS W/ FACE SHIELD • MASKS • GLOVES • GOGGLES/FACE SHIELDS • THIS SIGN
WORKFLOW	• Use dedicated disposable equipment (e.g. stethoscope, blood pressure cuff, thermometer) when possible • Clean non-disposable equipment with hospital-approved disinfecting wipe after each use • Clean hands prior to donning personal protective equipment (PPE) • Wear a gown, mask over mouth and nose, eye protection (safety goggles, fluid shield), and gloves upon entry to patient room or care area. Note: Eyeglasses are not a substitute for eye protection • If High-Risk Aerosol Generating Procedures (HRAGP) needed, refer to Isolation Table for additional PPE and signage requirements for some Droplet-transmissible conditions <i>See "Guidance for Use of Personal Protective Equipment for High Risk Aerosol Generating Procedures" https://ehs.ucsf.edu/respiratory-protection-program-0</i> • PPE Removal- PPE should be removed before exiting patient room or care area - Grasp PPE in a manner that avoids contamination (Outside of PPE is contaminated) - Remove gown and gloves, clean hands, then remove mask and eye protection (if wearing) and discard disposable PPE (Goggles may be disinfected and reused) - Clean hands again after removal of PPE	
TRANSPORT	• Notify receiving department of isolation status prior to transport • Patient wears mask (pediatric patients unable to mask- cover crib with clean sheet), a clean hospital gown, covers affected area as applicable (e.g. wound), covers body with clean sheet, and cleans hands prior to exiting patient room or care area • Transporter removes PPE and cleans hands (per above workflow) prior to exiting patient room or care area; if direct contact is anticipated, may wear gown, gloves, mask, and eye protection	
ROOM CLEANING	• Don and doff PPE as above and clean per standard cleaning procedures • Avoid room cleaning during and 1 hour after HRAGP, if applicable • On discharge, <i>Hospitality</i> removes isolation sign when cleaning complete • On patient discharge, <i>Nursing</i> removes and cleans isolation caddy	
VISITORS	• Offer mask and eye protection with instructions; gown and gloves not required unless visiting other patients • Instruct visitors to clean hands before entering and exiting patient room or care area	

For additional information, indications for, and discontinuation of isolation, refer to "Standard and Transmission-based Isolation Policy" and "Isolation Table" at <http://infectioncontrol.ucsfmedicalcenter.org> or contact Infection Prevention at 415-353-4343.