E-ORIENTATION



INFECTION PREVENTION & CONTROL

Infection Prevention & Control: It's Everyone's Business

ALL students have a responsibility to adhere to infection prevention and control guidelines in order to reduce healthcare associated infections in patients, occupationally acquired infection in staff, and internal outbreaks of infectious disease – all of which are costly and pose risk to WRH staff, students and patients.

What is the single most effective way to prevent the spread of infections?: Alcohol-based hand rub

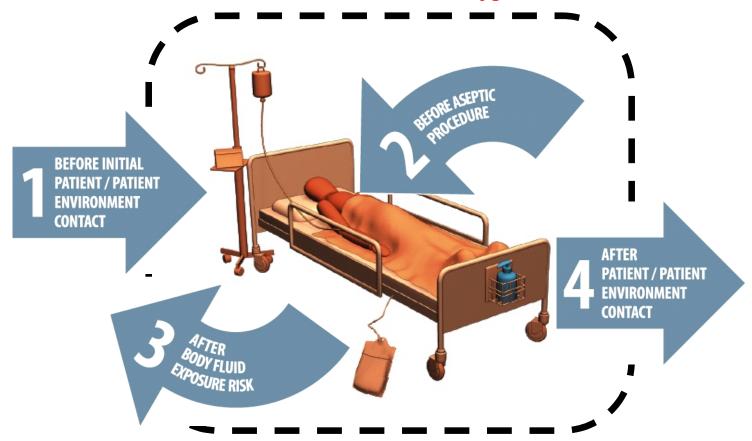
Hand Hygiene

2 Methods of Hand Hygiene

- 1. Alcohol-based hand rub (ABHR)
 - Preferred method KILLS germs (loonie sized amount)
- 2. Washing with soap and water
 - Preferred when hands are visibly soiled, when dealing with fecal matter, or when feeling a buildup of moisturizer from ABHR



4 Critical Moments for Hand Hygiene



Are there other ways for Infection to Spread?

3 Modes of Transmission in the Hospital

- 1. Contact Directly by touching patients or indirectly by touching contaminated surfaces
- 2. **Droplet** Coughing and sneezing
- 3. Airborne Tiny aerosolized particles e.g. chicken pox, measles

Additional Precautions

- Based on mode of transmission
- May be used alone or in combination
- Includes personal protective equipment (PPE) required, room accommodations, and guidelines for patients, etc.













- Gloves and gown for contact with patient or patient's environment
- Gloves may be donned at point of care

Droplet Precautions



- Mask and eye protection, when within 2 meters of the patient
- Patients must wear a mask if they leave their room or bedspace



Airborne Precautions

- N95 fit-tested respirator required for room entry
- · Airborne Infection Isolation Room (negative pressure) required
- Door MUST remain CLOSED

PPE – Personal Protective Equipment

May be used routinely

- Use a gown if you think your clothing will be contaminated
- · Use gloves if you think your hands will be contaminated
- Use mask and eye protection if you think there will be splashes or sprays or if you are within 2
 meters of a coughing patient





IPAC Resources

You can find more information on Infection Control by adding the IPAC application to your Citrix Storefront

IPAC Practitioners(Met) - ext. 52358

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