**Introduction**

Specific signage has been developed to assist staff, patients/residents/clients and family and visitors in complying with Additional Precautions.

**Policy**

1. Patients on Additional Precautions will have signs posted.

**Purpose**

1. To notify staff, patients and visitors of Additional Precautions.

**Procedure**

1. Order extra signs as needed. One time use only unless laminated.
2. Two signs maybe posted on the door, if a combined sign is not available. For example, one Airborne Precaution and one Contact Precaution sign to replace the one Airborne and Contact Precaution sign.
3. See table below for SHR Printing order number.

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<td>102107 11/10</td>
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<td>*Protect Me! - lavender</td>
<td>102246 12/10</td>
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<td>Large Stop sign - red</td>
<td>102069 02/01</td>
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<td>Small Stop sign – red</td>
<td>102070 02/01</td>
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<td>Reminder: Wash Your Hands</td>
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*Protect Me! sign - use when none of the other signs are appropriate.

Examples: Stem cell transplants, neutropenic patients, varicella zoster
Airborne Precautions

**Private Room**
- Door kept closed at all times
- Monitored negative pressure recommended
- After discharge keep door closed for 1 hour

**Hand Cleansing**
- Using antimicrobial soap or alcohol gel
- After removing gloves
- When leaving room

**N-95 Respirator**
- When entering room
- Use appropriate fit-tested size
- Perform seal check before entering room

**Patient Transport**
- Only when essential
- Patient must wear regular mask
- Continue precautions
- Inform receiving department

Adapted from Regina Health District
Airborne and Contact Precautions

**Private Room**
- Door kept closed
- Monitored negative pressure recommended
- After discharge keep door closed for 1 hour

**Hand Cleansing**
- Using antimicrobial soap or alcohol gel
- After removing gloves and gown
- When leaving room

**N-95 Respirator**
- When entering room
- Use appropriate fit-tested size
- Perform seal check before entering room

**Gloves and Gown**
- If in contact with patient or environment
- Remove before leaving room

**Dedicate Patient Care Equipment**
- Disinfect all equipment removed from room
- Do not take patient chart into room

**Patient Transport**
- Only when essential
- Patient must wear regular mask
- Continue precautions
- Inform receiving department
Contact Precautions

Patient Placement
✓ Door may remain open
✓ Private room preferred
✓ Maintain a distance of at least 1 meter (3 feet) between patients if sharing a room

Hand Cleansing
✓ Using antimicrobial soap or alcohol gel
✓ After removing gloves and gown
✓ When leaving room

Gloves
✓ If in contact with patient or environment
✓ Remove before leaving room

Gown
✓ If in contact with patient or environment
✓ Remove gown before leaving room

Dedicate Patient Care Equipment
✓ Disinfect all equipment removed from room
✓ Do not take patient chart into room

Patient Transport
✓ Inform receiving department

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For more information see Infection Prevention & Control Manual policy 30-50 Appendix A - Communicable Diseases Reference Table: Precautions by Etiology or Clinical Presentation.

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Droplet Precautions

**Patient Placement**
- Door may remain open
- Maintain a distance of at least 2 metres (6 feet) between patients if sharing a room

**Hand Cleansing**
- Use alcohol hand sanitizer or soap and water
- After removing gloves and gown
- After removing mask and eye protection
- When leaving a room

**Mask and Eye Protection**
- Wear regular mask and eye protection or combination (face shield/mask) when working within 2 metres of the patient

**Patient Transport**
- Only when essential
- Continue precautions
- Inform receiving department
- Patient must wear regular mask
Droplet and Contact Precautions

**Patient Placement**
- Door may remain open
- Maintain a distance of at least 2 metres (6 feet) between patients if sharing a room

**Hand Cleansing**
- Use alcohol hand sanitizer or soap and water
- After removing gloves and gown
- After removing mask and eye protection
- When leaving a room

**Mask and Eye Protection**
- Wear regular mask and eye protection or combination (face shield/mask) when working within 2 metres of the patient

**Gloves and Gown**
- If in contact with patient or environment
- Remove before leaving room

**Dedicate Patient Care Equipment**
- Disinfect all equipment removed from room
- Do not take patient chart into room

**Patient Transport**
- Only when essential
- Continue precautions
- Inform receiving department
- Patient must wear regular mask
Protect Me!

I am more susceptible to infections and require extra protection.

Please clean your hands before and after being in my room. Remember to use Routine Practices.
STOP
Check with Nurse

STOP
Check with Nurse
REMINDER:

WASH YOUR HANDS WITH SOAP AND WATER
Display this sign for

*Clostridium difficile* positive

patient only