

ENHANCED BARRIER PRECAUTIONS

CLEAN HANDS

- Before entering the room
- Before donning gloves
- Between tasks as appropriate
- When leaving the room

WEAR GLOVES/GOWN FOR HIGH-CONTACT RESIDENT CARE INCLUDING:

- Dressing
- Bathing/showering
- Transferring
- Providing hygiene
- Changing linens
- Changing briefs or assisting with toileting
- Device care or use: central line, urinary catheter, feeding tube, tracheostomy/ventilator
- Wound care: any skin opening requiring a dressing

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- All indwelling medical devices
- Wound care
- Persons colonized with a multi-drug resistant organism (even when contact precautions do not apply)

ENHANCED BARRIER PRECAUTIONS APPLY TO, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO:

- Pan-resistant organisms
- Carbapenemase-producing carbapenem-resistant Enterobacteriaceae, Pseudomonas spp.
- Acinetobacter baumannii
- Candida auris

OTHER IMPORTANT ORGANISMS TO CONSIDER:

- Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA)
- ESBL-producing Enterobacteriaceae
- Vancomycin-resistant Enterococci (VRE)
- Multi-drug resistant Pseudomonas aeruginosa
- Drug-resistant Streptococcus pneumoniae



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