

Do one thing differently:

Hand Hygiene

Know WHEN to Practice Hand Hygiene

- Before and after physical contact with individuals who have a suspected clostridium difficile infection (CDI)
- Before donning (putting on) and after doffing (taking off) gloves
- After handling soiled or contaminated items and equipment, including linens
- Before performing invasive procedures
- Before handling sterile or clean supplies
- When hands are visibly dirty or soiled with blood and/or bodily fluids*
- After care of individual with known or suspected infectious diarrhea
- Before and after eating or handling food*
- After personal use of bathroom*

**Situations where soap and water is preferred over alcohol-based hand rub*



Share these resources with your team:



[CDC Hand Hygiene Guidance](#)



[Hand Hygiene Pocket Card](#)

View the recommended resources to help promote the health benefits of proper handwashing in your organization.

