

Standard Precautions Checklist

Name:

Date:

Location/Unit:

Prevention Component	Practice Performed			Comments
	Yes	No	N/A	
Hands are washed before touching a patient/resident				
Hands are washed after gloves are removed				
Hands are washed between patient/resident contacts				
Routine handwashing is done with soap and water or alcohol-based hand cleanser				
Hands are washed with soap and water after caring for a patient/resident with C. difficile				
Hands are washed with soap and water when visibly soiled				
Gloves are worn when touching blood, body fluids, secretions, excretions and contaminated items				
Gloves are removed before touching environmental surfaces				
Gloves are changed before caring for another patient/resident				
Eye protection or a face shield is worn during procedures that are likely to generate splashes or sprays of blood, body fluids, secretions and excretions				
A mask is worn during procedures that are likely to generate splashes or sprays of blood, body fluids, secretions and excretions				
A gown is worn when performing procedures that are likely to generate splashes or sprays of blood, body fluid, secretions or excretions, or cause soiling of clothing				
Soiled gowns are removed promptly, taking care not to contaminate clothing				

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Reusable equipment is not used for the care of another patient/resident until it has been appropriately cleaned and reprocessed				
Environmental surfaces (beds, bedrails, equipment and other frequently touched surfaces) are cleaned per policy				
Used/soiled linen is handled, transported and processed in a manner that prevents skin, mucous membrane and clothing contamination				
Needles are not recapped				
Used disposable syringes and needles, scalpel blades and other sharp items are placed in a puncture-resistant container				
Sharps containers are not overfilled				

Use N/A if (a) non-applicable or (b) not assessed.

General Comments