

# Contact Precautions

Contact precautions should be used with residents who may have a suspected or known infection that represents an increased risk for contact transmission.



## Ensure appropriate placement of resident

- In long-term and other residential settings, make room placement decisions balancing risks to other residents

## Use Personal Protective Equipment appropriately

- Wear a gown and gloves for all interactions that may involve contact with the resident or the resident's environment.
- Don PPE upon room entry into the residents room
- Doff PPE and discard before exiting the resident room

## Limit transport and Movement

- When transport or movement is necessary, cover or contain the infected or colonized areas of the resident's body.
- Remove and dispose of contaminated PPE and perform hand hygiene prior to transporting residents.
- Don clean PPE to handle the resident at the transport location.

## Use disposable or dedicated equipment

- If common equipment for multiple residents is unavoidable, clean and disinfect such equipment before use on another resident.

## Prioritize cleaning & disinfection of the rooms

- Rooms should be cleaned and disinfected at least daily.
- Focusing on frequently touched surfaces and equipment in the immediate vicinity of the resident.