

STANDARD PRECAUTIONS+

DROPLET ISOLATION

Prior to entering the room*:

*Visitors – see Nurse before entering



CLEAN HANDS



MASK



EYE PROTECTION

OR



MASK + EYE PROTECTION

DROPLET ISOLATION

PATIENTS in DROPLET ISOLATION

- Place in a PRIVATE ROOM unless a shared space has been approved by Infection Prevention
- Must wear MASK over mouth and nose when outside patient room or care area
- Are encouraged to remain in the room except for essential purposes
- Unit policy permitting, may ambulate in hallways after donning a clean hospital gown, mask (as above), and cleaning hands; may NOT enter communal spaces (play/school room, solarium, cafeteria, etc.)

STAFF Caring for Patients in DROPLET ISOLATION

ISOLATION CADDY	Place caddy outside patient room containing: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• GOGGLES/FACE SHIELDS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• MASKS W/ FACE SHIELDS• MASKS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• THIS SIGN
WORKFLOW	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Clean hands prior to donning personal protective equipment (PPE)• Wear mask over mouth and nose and eye protection (safety goggles, fluid shield) upon entry to patient room or care area. <i>Note:</i> Eyeglasses are not a substitute for eye protection• If High-Risk Aerosol Generating Procedures (HRAGP) needed, refer to Isolation Table for additional PPE and signage requirements for some Droplet-transmissible conditions <i>See "Guidance for Use of Personal Protective Equipment for High Risk Aerosol Generating Procedures" https://ehs.ucsf.edu/respiratory-protection-program-0</i>• PPE Removal- PPE should be removed before exiting patient room or care area<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Clean hands prior to removing mask and eye protection- Grasp PPE in a manner that avoids contamination, remove and discard disposable PPE (Goggles may be disinfected and reused)- Clean hands again after removal of PPE		
TRANSPORT	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Notify receiving department of isolation status prior to transport• Patient wears mask (pediatric patients unable to mask- cover crib with clean sheet), a clean hospital gown, and cleans hands prior to exiting patient room or care area• Transporter removes PPE and cleans hands (per above workflow) prior to exiting patient room or care area; if direct contact is anticipated, may wear mask and eye protection		
ROOM CLEANING	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Don and doff PPE as above and clean per standard cleaning procedures• Avoid room cleaning during and 1 hour after HRAGP, if applicable• On discharge, <i>Hospitality</i> removes isolation sign when cleaning complete• On discontinuation of isolation or patient discharge, <i>Nursing</i> removes and cleans isolation caddy		
VISITORS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Offer mask and eye protection with instructions• Instruct visitors to clean hands before entering and exiting patient room or care area		

For additional information, indications for, and discontinuation of isolation, refer to "Standard and Transmission-based Isolation Policy" and "Isolation Table" at <http://infectioncontrol.ucsfmedicalcenter.org> or contact Infection Prevention at 415-353-4343.