

How to place a patient in ISOLATION

What to do when you place a patient in isolation

1. **Suspect** a reason patient needs to be isolated
2. **IMMEDIATELY** put in isolation – Provider, Nurse, CNA or infection control (do not wait for diagnosis by provider or infection control
 - a. Place in their room
 - b. Use Isolation Precaution Recommendations form located in drawer at nurses station
 1. Identify type of isolation precautions needed **BY HIGHLIGHTING** the **SPECIFIC CONDITION**.
 2. Time and Date
 3. place form in the MAR until isolation ended then place in chart
 - c. Place sign on door to identify type of isolation – located in top drawer at nurses station. **Modify sign as needed, depending on the organism. (For example, booties may be necessary)**
 - d. Get isolation caddy of supplies located in supply closet by nurses station and place on door
 - e. Get 2 biohazard barrels from downstairs storage and double bag with 1 clear garbage bag and 1 BIOBAG
 - f. If patient shares a bathroom place a commode in the room or move the patient to different room if needed.
 - g. Notify all departments using isolation notification slip located in top drawer at nurses station
 - h. Remove any furniture etc. that is soft surface and cannot be cleaned notify housekeeping to isolate for 2 weeks.
 - i. Isolation will be maintained until room is cleaned by housekeeping
 1. resident may leave room in clean clothes, but staff must enter room with recommended precautions (i.e. gloves gowns etc. in place until room is cleaned.
 - j. CHART in nurses note:
 1. Time identified, location, size, description of (red, raised, rash, etc.)
 2. Treatment
 3. Daily charting till condition resolved
 - k. Chart discharge time on precaution Recommendation form and file in chart.
 - l. NOTIFY housekeeping as soon as possible or if anticipate discontinuation of isolation.