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3.8.8 Communicating Precautions from Health Care Staff to Custody Staff

(a) Policy
(1) Health care staff shall communicate to custody staff the appropriate form of precautions to be used when dealing with a single patient or a small cluster of patients who have contracted certain communicable diseases. Staff shall use either the Correctional Standard Precautions or the transmission-based precautions.
(2) When a patient has an infectious disease that is easily transmitted person-to-person but transmission-based precautions are not required e.g., Staphylococcus aureus infections, health care staff shall communicate the need for Correctional Standard Precautions to custody staff.
(3) When a patient needs transmission-based precautions (in addition to Correctional Standard Precautions), health care staff shall communicate the need for transmission-based precautions to custody staff.

(b) Purpose
To ensure both custody and health care staff are appropriately protected from communicable diseases by communicating the type of precautions required when patients have certain communicable diseases.

(c) Responsibility
The Chief Executive Officer and Warden at each institution are responsible for enforcement and application of this policy and procedure.

(d) Procedure
(1) Health care staff at California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) institutions shall regularly consult with the California Correctional Health Care Services (CCHCS) Public Health Branch (PHB) about the prevention and control of infectious diseases in CDCR institutions. PHB shall follow national guidelines when consulted about the use of precautions to prevent the transmission of infectious diseases.
(2) PHB recommends categories of precaution for specific diseases and conditions based on Federal Bureau of Prisons (BOP) guidelines. The categories are standard, contact, droplet, and airborne.
(3) The California Department of Public Health recommends that when BOP does not have a precaution guideline for a specific disease or condition, PHB follows the Guideline for Isolation Precautions: Preventing Transmission of Infectious Agents in Healthcare Settings. These are evidence-based guidelines developed by an expert panel.
(4) The BOP advises that all correctional institutions shall follow Correctional Standard Precautions when interacting with all inmates whether or not they have been diagnosed with a specific condition, and when interacting with patients with known bloodborne pathogen infections (e.g., hepatitis B or human immunodeficiency virus infections).

(e) Procedure
(1) Medical Classification Chrono
(A) Health care staff shall use the Medical Classification Chrono (MCC) to communicate the need for transmission-based precautions to custody staff.
1. To communicate transmission-based precautions, the health care clinician (i.e., Physician, Psychiatrist, Dentist, or Advanced Practice Provider) caring for the patient shall revise the patient’s MCC in the following manner:
   a. Check the “Temp. Medical Isolation” box.
      1) When the health care clinician checks the “Temp. Medical Isolation” box, the form will default select the “Temp. Medical Hold”, thereby placing the patient on a temporary medical hold.
      2) If the health care clinician decides a patient who needs transmission-based precautions can move to another institution, they shall:
         a) Deselect the “Temp. Medical Hold” box (which is the default).
         b) Select the “Req. Medical Transport” box.
         c) Indicate the specific type of transmission-based precautions in the non-confidential comments section.
   b. In the non-confidential comments section, the health care clinician shall indicate the category of transmission-based precautions required for the patient.
      1) Few patients are expected to require all three transmission-based precautions at any one time.
         a) Refer to Appendix 1, Precautions for Frequently Encountered Infectious Diseases in CDCR Adult Institutions, for a list of precautions necessary for the common diseases which occur among patients (based on national evidence-based guidelines).
b) The information on the table is provided for informational purposes only and is not meant to be prescriptive.

c) The Chief Medical Executive or the health care clinician may deviate slightly from this table to require a change in the level of precautions based on clinical criteria or specific recommendations from either PHB or the local health department.

c. Indicate any change in the level of care based on the type of precaution.
   1) The health care clinician shall select “OHU” or “CTC” for most patients with transmission-based precautions.
   2) For patients who need special housing arrangements in general population (e.g., confined to cell, or to a special isolation area for patients with influenza), the health care clinician shall note the specific housing arrangement in the non-confidential comment section.

2. When the transmission-based precautions are no longer required, the health care clinician shall revise the MCC by deselecting “Temp. Medical Isolation” box and remove the type of precautions from the non-confidential comments section.

(2) Notification
   (A) The Chief Executive Officer and the Warden at each institution shall disseminate the following information to clinical and custody staff:
      1. Use of Standard Precautions and Transmission-Based Precautions in the Correctional Setting for the General Population (Appendix 2)
      2. Contact Precautions Checklist (Appendix 3)
      3. Droplet Precautions Checklist (Appendix 4)
      4. Airborne Precautions Checklist (Appendix 5)
   (B) Custody staff shall place signage regarding the patient’s specific transmission-based precautions in the following manner:
      a. At the cell door, bunk, or area of the housing unit where the patient is isolated for patients who are housed in general population.
      b. In the transportation vehicle for those patients who are transported.
   (C) Signage is not needed for Correctional Standard Precautions.

(3) Transportation Codes
   (A) All precautions link to the transportation coding system used by custody staff. Transportation codes correspond with patients’ precaution requirements in the following manner:
      1. Code 90 - Patient has not yet been medically assessed in the reception centers or is on a temporary medical hold as indicated on the MCC. This code indicates that staff shall follow transmission-based precautions.
      2. Code 91 - Patient is on temporary medical isolation. This code indicates that staff shall follow transmission-based precautions.
      3. Code 92 - No transmission-based precautions. This code indicates that staff shall follow Correctional Standard Precautions.
   (B) Designated administrative staff (not clinical staff) at each institution shall maintain the transportation codes.

Appendices
- Appendix 1: Precautions for Frequently Encountered Infectious Diseases in CDCR Adult Institutions
- Appendix 2: Use of Standard Precautions and Transmission-Based Precautions in the Correctional Setting for the General Population
- Appendix 3: Contact Precautions Checklist
- Appendix 4: Droplet Precautions Checklist
- Appendix 5: Airborne Precautions Checklist
References

- California Code of Regulations, Title 15, Division 1, Chapter 1, Subchapter 4, Article 5, Section 1051, Communicable Diseases
- California Code of Regulations, Title 15, Division 1, Chapter 1, Subchapter 4, Article 11, Section 1206.5, Management of Communicable Diseases in a Custody Setting
- California Code of Regulations, Title 15, Division 1, Chapter 1, Subchapter 5, Article 8, Section 1410, Management of Communicable Diseases
- California Code of Regulations, Title 15, Division 3, Chapter 1, Subchapter 4, Article 7, Section 3340, Assistance to Inmates for Administrative Segregation Classification Hearings
- California Code of Regulations, Title 17, Division 1, Chapter 4, Subchapter 1, Article 2, Section 2520, Quarantine
- Federal Bureau of Prisons, Clinical Practice Guidelines, (Guidelines to Communicable Diseases including Isolation Precautions) [http://www.bop.gov/resources/health_care_mngmt.jsp](http://www.bop.gov/resources/health_care_mngmt.jsp)

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## Appendix 1

### Precautions for Frequently Encountered Infectious Diseases in California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation Adult Institutions

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<td>1) Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA), covered lesions</td>
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<td>2) MRSA, uncovered lesions or not covered adequately</td>
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<td>4) Tuberculosis, pulmonary suspected</td>
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<td>5) Influenza</td>
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<td>7) Lice/Scabies</td>
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<td>8) Coccidioidomycosis (Valley Fever)</td>
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<td>9) Chickenpox and Shingles, disseminated or in an immunocompromised host</td>
<td>Airborne and contact</td>
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<td>10) Shingles, localized</td>
<td>Contact, single cell, but cohorting in a dorm setting permitted, on a case by case basis</td>
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<td>11) Human immunodeficiency virus</td>
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<td>12) COVID-19</td>
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Appendix 2

Use of Standard Precautions and Transmission-Based Precautions in the Correctional Setting for the General Population

(General Population: Refers to all correctional settings except health care settings.)

AND ADD – TRANSMISSION-BASED PRECAUTIONS

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| Application of Precautions | Applies to all patients, regardless of suspected or confirmed infection status. | Applies to organisms spread by direct or indirect contact with patient or the patient’s environment.  
• Infected blood or fluids enter through skin breaks or contamination of mucous membranes; contaminated hands transmit from one patient to another; contaminated equipment and personal protective equipment (PPE) transmit pathogens to others. | Applies to organisms spread through close respiratory or mucous membrane contact with respiratory secretions.  
• Examples: spread when infected person coughs, sneezes, or talks, and organisms spread to mouth, eye, or nasal mucosa of others. | Applies to organisms (airborne particles) from infected person carried and dispersed over long distances by air currents.  
• May be inhaled by others who have not had face-to-face contact with infectious person. |
| Hand Washing            | • Perform hand washing after touching blood, body fluids, secretions, excretions, and/or contaminated items; immediately after removing gloves; and between patient contacts.  
• Hands should be washed with soap and running water for at least 20 seconds when hands are visibly dirty and when there has been contact with blood or other body fluids (even if gloves have been worn). Other than the situations listed above, alcohol-based hand rubs can be used for routine hand hygiene. | • Perform before and after every contact with an infected patient.  
• Instruct and encourage patient to practice frequent hand washing.  
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## Personal Protective Equipment

### General Directions
- **Not routinely required.**
- PPE is indicated only if contact with blood/body fluids likely (e.g., gloves to protect hands from contact, or mask, face/eye wear, and/or gowns to protect from sprays and splashes).
- **Routinely required.**
- Continue Standard Precautions.
- **Routinely required.**
- Wear whenever touching patients’ intact skin or touching contaminated surfaces near patient. Change gloves after contact with infective material. Remove gloves before leaving patient’s area and wash hands.
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### Gloves
- Use, clean, non-sterile gloves when touching blood, body fluids, secretions, excretions, and/or contaminated items; and for touching mucous membranes (e.g., eyes, nose, mouth, and non-intact skin.)
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### Gown
- During procedures and patient care activities when contact of clothing to exposed skin with blood, body fluids, secretions, and excretions is anticipated.
- Wear whenever clothing will have direct contact with patient or contaminated surfaces.
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### Mask, eye protection (goggles), face shield
- During procedures and patient care activities likely to generate splashes or sprays of blood, body fluids, secretions; especially suctioning and endotracheal intubation.
- Use if contact with blood or infectious body fluid from sprays or splashes is likely.
- **Use if contact with blood or infectious body fluid from sprays or splashes is likely.**
- Don mask upon entry into patient room. Don eye protection depending on the organism. Don eye protection during procedures and patient care activities likely to generate splashes or sprays of blood, body fluids, secretions; especially suctioning and endotracheal intubation.
- **Until patient is in an Airborne Infection Isolation Room (AIIR), place surgical mask on patient and N95 respirator on staff. Staff to wear N95 respirator when in AIIR with patient.**

### Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation
- Use mouthpiece, resuscitation bag, other ventilation devised to prevent contact with mouth and oral secretions.
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<td><strong>Sharps</strong></td>
<td>• Do not recap, bend, break, or hand manipulate used needles; if recapping is required, use a one-hand scoop technique only; use safety features available; place used sharps in leak-proof, puncture-resistant container.</td>
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<td><strong>Soiled Patient-care Equipment</strong></td>
<td>• Handle in a manner that prevents transfer of microorganisms to others (minimum agitation) and to the environment; wear gloves if visibly contaminated; perform hand hygiene.</td>
<td>• Continue Standard Precautions, and safely handle contaminated patient-care equipment to prevent skin and mucous membrane exposures, contamination of clothing, and transfer of microorganisms to other patients and environments. • Ensure that reusable equipment is decontaminated and reprocessed between each patient use. • Discard all single-use items properly • Promptly decontaminate reusable equipment if contaminated with infectious body fluids or visibly soiled.</td>
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<td><strong>Laundry</strong></td>
<td>• Collect at bedside. • If wet or soiled, handle as little as possible, and bag in a leak-proof bag at the location it was used, in accordance with local guidance on management of contaminated linens. • Machine wash and dry.</td>
<td>• Continue Standard Precautions. • <strong>Linens:</strong> Change linens every other day (more often if visibly soiled). Patient shall bag linen in the cell. Change towels and wash cloths daily. Machine wash and dry.</td>
<td>• Continue Standard Precautions. • Do not shake items or handle them in any way that may aerosolize infectious agents. • Avoid contact of one’s body and personal clothing with soiled items being handled. • Contain soiled items in a dissolvable bag and place in a yellow bag prior to sending to laundry.</td>
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<td>Sanitation: Environmental Control</td>
<td>• Develop procedures for routine care, cleaning, and disinfection of environmental surfaces, especially frequently touched surfaces in patient-care areas. Use an Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)-registered disinfectant. Use according to the manufacturer’s instructions. All washable (non-porous) surfaces should be cleaned <strong>during</strong> and <strong>after</strong> (terminal) cell occupancy. Correctional workers should conduct sanitation inspections of living and bathroom areas to identify visibly dirty areas. Each institution should designate custody staff and supervisors to attend to this regularly.</td>
<td>• Routinely clean all countertops, treatable surfaces per local schedule. Emphasis on frequently touched surfaces (i.e., doorknobs, bed rails) and after any contamination with blood/body fluids. Use an appropriate quaternary ammonium (chloride containing) disinfectant. Ensure that patient care items and potentially contaminated surfaces are cleaned and disinfected after use.</td>
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<td>Housing: Single cell</td>
<td>• Single cell not routinely required. Place potentially infectious patients in a private room (in consultation with medical staff). Consider this for patients with poor hygiene practices. In an outbreak situation, patients with the same infectious organism may be housed together. Monitor patient hygienic practices particularly if mentally impaired. Medical determines the appropriate housing for a patient with infections.</td>
<td>• Single cell on a case-by-case basis. Patients should be kept separated ≥ 3 feet apart. Continue Standard Precautions. Patients with skin infections may be housed in general population if the wound drainage can be contained in a dressing and the patient is cooperative. Patients with wounds that have significant drainage should generally be housed in a single cell.</td>
<td>• Single room when available especially those who have a productive cough. Continue Standard Precautions. Place together those who are infected with the same pathogen. Separate ≥ 3 feet from each other. Patient shall wear surgical mask upon exiting his/her cell and on transport. Permit routine showering last.</td>
<td>• Always single cell in an AIIR. Place in AIIR – that provides 6 to 12 air exchanges per hour. Direct exhaust to outside; monitor air pressure daily. When AIIR is not available, transfer to a facility with AIIR. Patient shall wear surgical mask upon exiting his/her cell and on transport. Permit routine showering last.</td>
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### Transfers

- Decision to transport on a case-by-case basis with concurrence from medical or public health.
- In general, do not transfer patients with infectious diseases who require Contact, Droplet, or Airborne Precautions.

- If transfer is required for security or medical reasons the following procedures should be followed:
  - Wound should be dressed on the day of transfer with clean bandages;
  - Use contact precautions as described above (hand-washing, gloves if touching wound drainage and safe disposal of dressings) if soiling of security devices likely, use disposable restraints (if feasible), if not, decontaminate after use; and
  - Place clean sheet on cloth seats in vehicle (not needed if vinyl) and
  - Decontaminate, if visible contamination occurs.

- Limit transport on patients on droplet precautions to essential purposes, such as diagnostic and therapeutic procedures that cannot be performed in the patient’s room.
- When transport is necessary, have the patient and staff don a surgical mask.
- Staff in close contact (<3 feet) should wear surgical mask.
- Notify healthcare personnel in the receiving area of the impending arrival to prepare for necessary precautions.
- For patients being transported outside of the facility, inform the receiving facility and emergency vehicle personnel (transportation team) in advance about the type of Transmission-Based Precautions being used.

- Do not transport while contagious unless medically necessary or for security reasons.
- Consult with medical prior to transport.
- When transport is necessary, have the patient wear a surgical mask at all times.
- Staff shall wear a respirator (such as a N95 mask.)
- Maximize airflow in the transport vehicle (if possible roll down windows to permit outside air exchange.)

### Report to Medical:
Correctional and Health Care staff should follow local procedures on reporting infections. Staff with suspected infections should report them to their supervisor.

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#### CONTACT PRECAUTIONS CHECKLIST
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<td>• Between patient contact.</td>
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<td><strong>Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)</strong></td>
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<td>• Contact Precautions apply where the presence of excessive wound drainage, fecal incontinence, or other discharges from the body suggest an increased potential for extensive environmental contamination and risk of transmission.</td>
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<td>• Don gown and gloves for all interactions that may involve contact with the patient or potentially contaminated areas in the patient’s environment.</td>
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<td>• Don mask and eye protection during procedures and patient care activities likely to generate splashes or sprays of blood, body fluids, secretions; especially suctioning and endotracheal intubation.</td>
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<td><strong>Housing</strong></td>
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<td>• A single patient room is preferred for patients who require Contact Precautions. When a single room or cell is not available, consultation with the Public Health Section is recommended to assess the various risks associated with patient placement options (e.g., cohorting, keeping patient with an existing cellmate).</td>
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<td>• In dormitory settings ≥3 feet spatial separation between beds is advised to reduce the opportunities for inadvertent sharing of items between infected patients.</td>
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<td><strong>Sanitation</strong></td>
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<td>• Instruct and encourage patient to practice frequent hand hygiene.</td>
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<td>• Implement strict glove use policy for all food preparation.</td>
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<td>• Increase frequency of cleaning public toilets.</td>
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<td>• Shower symptomatic patient last and bleach clean shower stalls after use.</td>
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<td>• When cleaning up vomit or feces:</td>
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<td>o Wear disposable gown, mask, gloves, and goggles.</td>
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<td>o Disinfect the contaminated area with an Environmental Protection Agency approved veridical agent or bleach. The contaminated area is a radius of 25 feet of the incident.</td>
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<td>o Dispose of gown, mask, and gloves in biohazard waste.</td>
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<td>o Close or cordon off the contaminated area for at least one hour.</td>
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<td>o If possible, open windows to allow for thorough air circulation.</td>
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<td>• For cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), use mouthpiece, resuscitation bag, or other ventilation device to prevent contact with mouth and oral secretions.</td>
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<td>• Follow Standard Precautions and handle laundry in a manner that prevents transfer of microorganisms to others and to the environment.</td>
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<td>• Bleach-clean equipment and other frequently touched surfaces on the yard after use (e.g., water faucets and/or fountains).</td>
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| Transports      | □         | • Limit transport for patients on contact precautions to essential purposes such as diagnostic and therapeutic procedures that cannot be performed in the patient’s room.  
• When transport is necessary, use appropriate barriers.  
• Notify health care personnel in the receiving area of the impending arrival of the patient and of the precautions necessary to prevent transmission.  
• For patients being transported outside the facility, inform the receiving facility and the emergency vehicle personnel in advance about the type of Transmission-Based Precautions being used. |

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### Transmission-Based Precautions for Use in the Correctional Setting for the General Population

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• Between patient contacts.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| **Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)** |           | • Follow Standard Precautions Guideline and:  
  o Don mask upon entry into patient room.  
  o Don eye protection during procedures, and patient care activities likely to generate splashes or sprays of blood, body fluids, and secretions; especially suctioning and endotracheal intubation.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| **Housing**                      |           | • Single cell if available, especially those who have a productive cough.  
• If no single cell is available, place together those who are infected with the same pathogen but separate ≥ 3 feet from each other.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| **Sanitation**                   |           | • Instruct and encourage patient to practice frequent hand hygiene.  
• Instruct patient on respiratory etiquette.  
• For cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), use mouthpiece, resuscitation bag, or other ventilation device to prevent contact with mouth and oral secretions.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| **Laundry**                      |           | • Do not shake items or handle laundry in any way that may aerosolize infectious agents.  
• Avoid contact of one’s body and personal clothing with the soiled items being handled.  
• Contain soiled items in a laundry bag or designated bin.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| **Activities**                   |           | • Patient shall wear mask upon exiting his or her cell.  
• Permit routine showering.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| **Patient Hygiene**              |           | • Instruct and encourage patient to practice frequent hand hygiene.  
• Instruct patient on respiratory etiquette.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| **Equipment**                    |           | • Follow Standard Precautions and handle in a manner that prevents transfer of microorganisms to others (minimum agitation), and to the environment; wear gloves if there is visible contamination and perform hand hygiene.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| **Transports**                   |           | • Limit transport for patients on Droplet Precautions to essential purposes, such as diagnostic and therapeutic procedures that cannot be performed in the patient’s room.  
• When transport is necessary, patient and staff shall don a surgical mask.  
• Staff in close contact (≤3 feet) should wear surgical mask.  
• Notify health care personnel in the receiving area of the
### Additional Information

- Impending arrival of the patient and of the precautions necessary to prevent transmission.
- For patients being transported outside the facility, inform the receiving facility and the emergency vehicle personnel (transportation team) in advance about the type of Transmission-Based Precautions being used.

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## Appendix 5

### Transmission-Based Precautions for Use in the Correctional Setting for the General Population

#### AIRBORNE PRECAUTIONS CHECKLIST

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