

Procedure – Transporting a Patient/Resident on Contact Precautions

1. The caregiver or porter shall wash hands, don appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) and obtain a clean sheet prior to entering the patient's/resident's room.
2. Place the clean sheet over the stretcher or wheelchair.
3. The patient/resident is to wear a clean gown and housecoat.
4. Assist the patient/resident to the stretcher or wheelchair.
5. Use a sporicidal disinfectant to wipe the handles of the wheelchair or the rails of the stretcher.
6. Assist the patient/resident to wash their hands with soap and water.
7. Remove your gown and gloves. Wash your hands.
8. Remove the patient/resident from the room.
9. Don clean gloves and gown. Place a clean sheet over the patient/resident.
10. Place the appropriate precaution sign on top of the chart.
11. Place the chart on top of the clean sheet, or in a plastic bag or pillow case.
12. Ensure that the receiving area is aware that the patient/resident has arrived and that contact precautions are required.
13. If the patient/resident is also on droplet or airborne precautions, a procedure mask should be provided to the patient. Staff shall wear a procedure mask or N95 respirator as required.
14. Upon completion of transport, clean the wheelchair or stretcher with an approved sporicidal disinfectant, remove gown and gloves, and wash hands with soap and water.