# **General – Isolation Room Cleaning & Management**

- Following patient discharge/at completion of visit, staff may immediately clean an isolation room if they are wearing all PPE required for that type of isolation
- To aid in appropriate isolation room management, the "Cleaning and Management of Isolation Rooms" tip sheet was created
  - Available on OneHenry through the following link: Cleaning and Management of Isolation Rooms.pdf (hfhs.org)
- This resource outlines cleaning requirements and room shut down times for each type of isolation precautions

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## Cleaning and Management of Isolation Rooms

	Isolation	Personal protective equipment (PPE) Required	Hand hygiene	Cleaning products	Room shut down time
	Contact	• Gown • Gloves	Hand sanitizer or soap & water	Hospital-approved disinfectant	Not required
	Contact PLUS	• Gown • Gloves	Soap & water ONLY	Bleach-based hospital-approved disinfectant	Not required
	Droplet	Surgical/procedural face mask	Hand sanitizer or soap & water	Hospital-approved disinfectant	ONLY required if AGP* occurred. If AGP* occurred, room to be held prior to next patient to allow for adequate air exchanges to occur. Time requirement starts when AGP* ends:  • 35 minutes for positive/negative pressure rooms  • 2 hours for neutral pressure rooms
	Droplet PLUS	Gloves N95 or higher respirator Eye protection	Hand sanitizer or soap & water	Hospital-approved disinfectant	
	Enhanced Droplet	Gloves     N95 or higher respirator     Eye protection     Gown ONLY required if AGP was performed	Hand sanitizer or soap & water	Hospital-approved disinfectant	
	Airborne	N95 or higher respirator	Hand sanitizer or soap & water	Hospital-approved disinfectant	Room to be held prior to next patient to allow time for adequate air exchanges to occur. Time requirement starts when patient in isolation leaves the room:
	Airborne PLUS	<ul><li>Gown</li><li>Gloves</li><li>N95 or higher respirator</li><li>Eye protection</li></ul>	Hand sanitizer or soap & water	Hospital-approved disinfectant	35 minutes for positive/negative pressure rooms     2 hours for neutral pressure rooms

- Follow PPE Guidance for the Workplace During Varying Levels of Community Transmission of COVID-19
- See Tier 1: High Risk Procedures Intubation and Other Aerosol-Generating Procedures (AGP) for policy details
- AGP Sign
- PPE should be removed upon exiting the room/bay
- Cleaning can occur immediately after patient discharge if wearing appropriate PPE
- Waste and linen do not need special handling or biohazard bags. Waste should be placed in regular garbage bag and linen disposal should follow normal process. (Exception is new/emerging pathogens – contact Infection Prevention & Control for guidance.)

\*Aerosol-generating procedure

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# **Monkeypox - Room Cleaning & Shut Down Time**



### **Room Cleaning:**

- Following patient discharge/at completion of visit, staff may immediately clean the patient's room as long as they are wearing full Droplet Plus PPE (gown, gloves, eye protection, N95 or higher respirator)
- Standard cleaning and disinfection procedures should be performed using HFH approved disinfectant wipes

#### **Room Shut Down Time:**

- If no aerosol-generating procedure (<u>AGP</u>) occurred in that room, there is no room shut down time required; once the room has been cleaned, the next patient is able to be roomed
- If an AGP occurred, room should be held prior to next patient to allow for adequate air exchanges to occur. Time requirement starts when AGP ends:
  - 35 minutes for positive/negative pressure rooms
  - 2 hours for neutral pressure rooms



# Monkeypox – Waste & Linen Management

### Waste

- Waste contaminated with monkeypox virus should be managed as regulated medical waste in the same manner as other potentially infectious medical waste (e.g., soiled dressings, contaminated sharps)
- Waste should be contained/bagged prior to leaving patient room and disposed of in hazardous waste bin
- For areas where patients may remain for an extended period (ex: inpatient units, ED) and generate infectious medical waste, the <u>Red Bag Waste Sign</u> may be placed next to the isolation sign as a reminder that infectious medical waste should be placed in a red bio-hazard bag.

## Soiled/Used Linen

- Soiled/used linen should be handled in accordance with **standard practices**
- Avoid unprotected contact with lesion material that may be present on the linen
- Soiled linen should be promptly bagged and contained at point of use
- \*As a reminder, linen should never be shaken or handled in manner that may disperse infectious material

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