Droplet Precautions

Should be used with residents suspected to be infected with pathogens transmitted by respiratory droplets that are generated by a resident who is coughing, sneezing, or talking.



Ensure appropriate resident placement

 In long-term and other residential settings, make room placement decisions balancing risks to other residents

Use Personal Protective Equipment appropriately

- Donn surgical mask upon entry into the residents room
- Discard surgical mask **before** exiting the resident's room or right after leaving resident room.
- Perform hand hygiene

Limit Transport and Movement

- Transport should be medically necessary
- Instruct resident to wear a mask
- Follow respiratory hygiene and cough etiquette practices

Use disposable or dedicated equipment

 If common equipment for multiple residents is unavoidable, clean and disinfect such equipment before use on another resident.

Prioritize cleaning & disinfection of the rooms

- Clean and disinfect resident rooms daily
- Focus should be on high touched surfaces and equipment in the immediate vicinity of the resident.

