



INFECTION CONTROL POLICY & PROCEDURE

Title: COVID-19 Cleaning Protocols

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PURPOSE

Protocols for cleaning all sites providing care for patients with known or pending COVID-19 diagnosis.

POLICY

To prevent serial transmission of COVID-19 between patients, staff, and environment and provide safe practices for EVS staff

Definitions

Aerosolizing procedures are defined as any patient on a ventilator, trach tube, on high flow, or requiring nebulizer treatments.

PROCEDURE

1. **Cleaning protocol for all sites providing care for patients with known or pending COVID-19 diagnosis that do not require an aerosolizing procedure. These sites include ED, AIS, Cath Lab, Clinics, and all Inpatient areas.**
 - a. Standard Special Droplet/Contact Precautions (pink WSHA placard) is followed
 - b. No downtime of room is required
 - c. PPE during cleaning is surgical mask, goggles/face shield, gloves and gown.
 - d. Use bleach with appropriate dwell time
 - e. Room can reopen once dry.

2. **Cleaning protocol for all sites providing care for patients with known or pending COVID-19 diagnosis and in a negative pressure room requiring aerosolizing procedures**
 - a. Obtain portable hepa filter and place in room.
 - b. Close room for 1 hour prior to cleaning
 - c. Keep hepa filter running during cleaning and maintain Airborne precautions
 - d. EVS staff strip room and clean per protocol
 - e. Use bleach with appropriate dwell time
 - f. Wear gown, gloves, N95 mask and goggles or PAPR.
 - g. Room can reopen when cleaning is complete
 - h. Double bag waste into red biohazard bags and process in normal medical waste stream.
 - i. ED negative pressure rooms are 4, 5, 6, 10, 11, 13, 17, 18, and 19.
 - j. Inpatient negative pressure rooms are 205, 305, CCU 1, and CCU 10.

3. **Cleaning protocol for all sites providing care for patients with known or pending COVID-19 diagnosis and in a standard (non-negative pressure) room requiring an aerosolizing procedure**
 - a. Obtain portable hepa filter, close room for 1 hour prior to cleaning and follow cleaning procedures as stated in number 2.
 - b. If unable to obtain a hepa filter, room remains closed for 3 hours prior to cleaning.

4. **Cleaning protocol for CT**
 - a. **If known COVID-19 diagnosis or known/pending COVID-19 diagnosis requiring aerosolizing procedures**
 - i. Close room for 1 hour prior to cleaning
 - ii. Alert ED and House Supervisor of 1 hour downtime and go on Stroke divert
 - iii. Maintain airborne precautions while cleaning (N95 mask/PAPR, goggles/face shield, gown, and gloves.
 - b. **If known or pending COVID-19 diagnosis not requiring aerosolizing procedures**
 - i. No downtime of room is required
 - ii. PPE during cleaning is surgical mask, goggles/face shield, gloves and gown.
 - iii. Clean all surfaces of room and equipment with Cavi wipes or Virex

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