



# ENTERIC CONTACT PRECAUTIONS

(In addition to Standard Precautions)



- **Visitors** must wear gown and gloves when inside room



- Gown and gloves for everyone entering room
- Remove and discard before leaving room



- Wash hands with soap and water (NOT alcohol based hand gel) when entering and leaving room



- Use disposable or dedicated equipment (no electronic thermometer)
- Clean and disinfect equipment with Dispatch™ wipes before removing from room



- When Precautions are discontinued, leave sign posted until room is cleaned
- Use Dispatch™ for cleaning



## **Common Conditions Requiring Enteric Contact Precautions:**

See CCHC Intranet, Infection Control Section for "Type and Duration of Precautions Needed for Selected Infections and Conditions" for complete list.

- C. difficile infection
- Norovirus
- New onset of diarrhea (  $\geq 3$  episodes within a 24-hour period)

### **Please Note:**

- Single room preferred; contact Infection Control if single room is unavailable
- Privacy curtains are to be changed by Environmental Services when Precautions are discontinued

## **When Precautions are Discontinued:**

### **CCH**

- Isolation cart is cleaned by Environmental Services and labeled as clean.
- Environmental Services calls Materials Management to pick up cart for re-stocking.

### **FH**

- Isolation cart is cleaned by Housekeeping.
- Nursing will re-stock the cleaned cart and take it to the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor storage area. Closure tie must be attached through all drawers on outside of cart.

### **JML**

- Nursing takes cart to Dirty Utility Room.
- Environmental Services cleans and re-stocks the cart and takes it to the Clean Utility Room.