



Infection Control: Employee Health Standard Precautions Barrier Checklist

Policy Statement

The Infection Preventionist (or designee) shall provide classification of occupational exposure risk and barriers needed for specific tasks on the *Standard Precautions Barrier Checklist*.

Policy Interpretation and Implementation

1. Staff shall apply Standard Precautions to the care of all residents in all situations, regardless of suspected or confirmed presence of infectious disease.
2. Hand hygiene and safe needle handling/injection practices are always applied in the care of all residents.
3. In addition, specific tasks will be evaluated for occupational exposure risk to:
 - a. Blood;
 - b. Body fluids;
 - c. Secretions;
 - d. Excretions;
 - e. Non-intact skin; and
 - f. Mucous membranes.
4. All tasks will be evaluated for:
 - a. Volume of exposure;
 - b. Probability of exposure; and
 - c. Route of exposure.
5. Using this information, the Infection Preventionist (or designee) shall determine barriers that are indicated for specific departmental tasks. Barriers include gloves, gowns, masks, eye protection, and face shields.
6. The Infection Preventionist (or designee) shall enter barrier information for each departmental task on the *Standard Precautions Barrier Checklist* and shall post the checklist in a location where employees in each department have access to it.

References	
Related Documents	Exposure Classification of Tasks and Procedures Standard Precautions Barrier Checklist Task Evaluation and Classification Record
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