

TRANSMISSION-BASED PRECAUTIONS			
REQUIRED	DROPLET Intended to prevent transmission through close respiratory or mucous membrane contact with respiratory secretions	CONTACT Intended to prevent transmission by direct or indirect contact with the patient or the patient's environment	AIRBORNE Intended to prevent transmission of infectious agents that remain infectious over long distances when suspended in the air
Examples	B. Pertussis, Influenza virus, adenovirus, rhinovirus, N. meningitides, and group A streptococcus (for the first 24 hours) Bact. meningitis (24 hours), haemophilus influenza type B	C. difficile, VRE, MRSA, scabies, Herpes zoster (shingles, varicellar-zoster)	Herpes Zoster (shingles, varicellar zoster), mycobacterium, tuberculosis, SARS, rubeola, H1N1
Private Room	Yes, unless cohorting	Yes, unless cohorting	Yes
Door Closed	No	No	Yes
Mask Protection	Surgical mask for close contact with patient (, less than 3 feet)	No	Yes PAPRS
Eye Protection	During procedures and patient-care activities likely to generate splashes or sprays of blood, body fluids, secretions		
Gown	Yes	Yes	No
Gloves	Yes	Yes	No
Disposable Thermometer	Yes	Yes	Yes
Special Transport Needs	Patient wears surgical mask	Cover/contain/infected or colonized areas of pt's body	Patient wears surgical mask
Negative Air Room	No	No	Yes
		Reverse Airflow rooms: SICU 7, 8	Reverse Airflow rooms: MI 7,8,18, 19,20,21 NCCU 1,10, Safe Haven