
*** ADDENDUM ***

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TITLE: STANDARD PRECAUTIONS – RECOVERY ROOM

Listed below are the **minimum** requirements recommended during controlled situations, to protect the health care worker from potentially infectious agents. This list is not all-inclusive, so judgement is required on the part of the healthcare worker to assess the need for additional protection In less controlled situations.

Other barriers may be required to protect the patient during certain procedures. Refer to you hospital procedure manual.

If an employee has an open cut or abrasion on his/her hands, he/she is responsible for protecting it through the use of gloves.

Sterile technique is to be used during sterile procedures

Legend: X=Routinely S= If Soiled Likely **= If Splattering Likely

	Hand Washing	Gloves	Gown Plastic Apron	Mask	Eye Protection
1. IV Starts	X	X			
2. Dressing checks, changes, etc.	X	X			
3. Peripad changes	X	X			
4. Irrigation NOT TURP	X	X	S		
5. Suctioning-oral, nasal, ETT, Tracheal	X	X	S	S	**
6. Inserting catheter, NGT	X	X			
7. Attaching drains to suction	X	X	S		**
8. Emptying drains, catheter bags	X	X	S		
9. giving medications perenteral PO IV	X				
10. Caring for patient with copious secretions	X <u> </u> <u> </u> a & p	X	X	**	**
11. Direct contact with infected wound	X	X	X	S	**
12. Procuring body fluids, blood	X	X	S	***	**
13. Open wound on caretakers	X	X			
14. Reverse isolation	X	X	X	X	
15. Intubation	X	X	S	X	

REFER TO **STANDARD PRECAUTIONS** IN NUSRING GENERIC STANDARDS MANUAL FOR FURTHER PROCEDURES FOR PRECAUTIONS