Contact Isolation	Droplet Isolation	Airborne Isolation
Carbapenem resistant Gram Negative Rods (last 6 months)	Neisseria meningitidis	Airborne alone
MDRO, other than carbapenem resistance (see page 2)	MDR Strep pneumoniae	Tuberculosis, Pulmonary
	Haemophilus influenzae type B	
Cutaneous		
Any Abscess or Ulcer, Not Contained, with Drainage	Respiratory Bacteria	
Impetigo	Diphtheria (Pharyngeal)	Airborne with Contact
Staphylococcal furunculosis	Mycoplasma pneumoniae	Herpes Zoster (Disseminated or
Staphylococcal Scalded Skin Syndrome	Chlamydia pneumoniae in Pediatrics (for Adults,	immunocompromised patients until
Group A Streptococcus with Droplet and Contact	Standard Precautions)	ruled out for disseminated)
Cutaneous Tuberculosis, draining wound	Pertussis	Varicella
Diphtheria	Yersinia pestis (Pneumonic Plague)	Measles
Scabies	Group A Strep (Pharyngitis, Pneumonia, Scarlet	(Only staff with known immunity
	fever)	should care for Varicella or Measles
Suspected or Confirmed Infectious Gastroenteritis		patients)
Isolate diapered or incontinent patients with bacterial, viral or	<u>Viruses</u>	
parasitic diarrhea, except Contact Plus Isolation for C difficile,	Influenza	Viral hemorrhagic fevers
Norovirus Sapovirus	Parvovirus B19	(e.g. Ebola, Lassa, Marburg, Crimean-
	(Staff who are pregnant, immune compromised or	Congo hemorrhagic fever)
<u>Viruses</u>	have hemolytic anemia will not be assigned to	
Localized Herpes Zoster (if lesions cannot be covered)	care for patients with Parvovirus B19)	SARS
Herpes Simplex (Mucocutaneous, Primary severe, Neonatal)	Coronavirus (not MERS-CoV or SARS)	(Severe Acute Respiratory syndrome)
Respiratory Syncytial Virus in Adults	Human Rhinovirus	MERS-CoV
Parainfluenza Virus	Mumps	(Middle East Syndrome coronavirus)
Echovirus or Enterovirus	Rubella (exam can't distinguish from measles)	
Human Metapneumovirus		
Adenovirus (add droplet if pneumonia)	Contact and Droplet Isolation Adults	
Viral or hemorrhagic conjunctivitis	Adenovirus for pneumonia	
Hepatitis A (for diapered and incontinent patients)	RSV if there is cough (contact only if no cough)	
Poliomyelitis		
Congenital Rubella (until 1 year age)	Pediatric Respiratory (Contact & Droplet) Isolation	
	Influenza Like Illness	
Contact Plus Isolation	Influenza	
Clostridium difficile	Respiratory Syncytial Virus	
Norovirus	Human Metapneumovirus	
Sapovirus	Adenovirus	
Candida auris	Coronavirus (not SARS or MERS-CoV)	
	Human rhino/enterovirus	

Disclaimer: Remember to **apply Standard Precautions to all patients.** Perform hand hygiene before and after all patient encounters. Wear gloves for contact with wounds or mucous membranes. Wear surgical Mask if caring for coughing patients or performing throat swab. Use Eye Protection and surgical Mask if doing procedure. Use gown and gloves for copious diarrhea, vomiting, or wound drainage, etc.

Contact Isolation for Carbapenem Susceptible MDRO	Cohorting Patients		
In ICU patients, order isolation for any new culture with MDRO, or prior cultures* as noted below			
MRSA, VISA, VRE	As described below, some patients may be cohorted_in a		
MDR S. pneumoniae (Resistant to penicillin AND ceftriaxone or levofloxacin)	room together after the infecting pathogen is known, but		
XDR Gram Negative Rods (Resistant to five or more drugs in the drug panel but Carbapenem	not while results are pending.		
susceptible)	1. Patients with the same pathogen (with same		
 For non-ICU patients with new MDRO culture, order contact isolation if patient has: Draining Wound not easily covered by bandages with MDRO in Wound or Blood culture Urine incontinence (e.g. Diaper use) with MDRO growth in Urine culture. No need to isolate the patient with long-term urinary catheter Cough or sputum production with MDRO growth in Respiratory culture Ventilator or a Tracheostomy with MDRO growth in Respiratory culture *Prior Cultures: For both ICU and non-ICU patients with prior MDRO within the past 6 months, order contact isolation if you suspect current infection in the same anatomical site as the prior MDRO result. 	 resistance profile) may be placed in a room together Patients with multiple pathogens requiring isolation may be placed in a room together only if all the pathogens are the same (see exceptions in #3 and #4) Children, but not adults, with different respiratory viruses can be in the same room Adults or Children with Influenza A and Influenza B may be placed in a room together Airborne isolation rooms must be single patient rooms 		

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Pathogen/Source of Infection	When it is Generally Ok to Stop Isolation	
Clostridium difficile colitis	48 hours after diarrhea stops	
Influenza	7 Days after Symptom Onset or 24 hours after afebrile, whichever is Longer	
Neisseria meningitidis	After 24 hours appropriate antibiotic therapy	
Haemophilus influenzae type B	After 24 hours appropriate antibiotic therapy	
Group A Streptococcus	May stop Droplet isolation after 24 hours appropriate antibiotic therapy	
Carbapenem Resistant Gram Neg Rods	After 6 months since the last culture with carbapenem resistant gram negative rod	
MDRO Wound/Blood/Abd Fluid (Carbapenem	ound/Blood/Abd Fluid (Carbapenem Wound no longer draining or easily covered by bandages	
sensitive)		
MDRO Urine (Carbapenem sensitive)	Able to control urination, or has urine catheter, or negative urine culture	
MDRO Sputum (Carbapenem sensitive)	No longer coughing/producing sputum or requiring suction per trach/ET tube or negative sputum culture	
Pulmonary Tuberculosis	3 negative AFB smears collected 8-24 hours apart one of which is an early morning specimen. For confirmed TB	
	cases, need (1) evidence of clinical improvement (2) TB treatment for at least 2 weeks (3) three negative sputum	
	smears	
Disseminated Zoster	No new lesions appearing and All lesions are crusted over	
Localized Zoster or Herpes Simplex	No new lesions appearing and All lesions are crusted over. Or the affected area is covered by bandages	
Respiratory Syncytial Virus	Resolution of Symptoms	
Candida auris or Special/Emerging Pathogens	Discuss with Infection Prevention and New York State DOH	

During Business Hours the Infection Prevention Team is available to answer questions: Moses 920-4562 Weiler 904-3422 Wakefield 920-9037 After business hours or on weekends you may discuss isolation questions with your Attending Physician or Dr. Ruchika Jain for Moses, Dr. Sun Park for Weiler, Dr. Marilou Corpuz for Wakefield, or Dr. Gregory Weston or Dr. Theresa Madaline