

PATIENT ROOM – COVID-19 DISCHARGE ISOLATION CLEANING PROCEDURES

Purpose

To provide a procedure for safe, proper cleaning and disinfecting of rooms vacated by COVID-19 patients.

Equipment

- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) which includes surgical facemask, gloves and isolation gown. (Face shield if required by your Infection Prevention team)
- Standard cart set up

Cleaning Products

- Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Registered Antimicrobial Products for Use Against Novel Coronavirus SRAS-CoV-2, the cause of COVID-19
- Toilet Bowl Cleaner
- Glass Cleaner

Supplies

- Microfiber or string mops
- Microfiber handle or string mop handle
- High duster
- Plastic dust pan and broom
- Clean Curtain
- Red regulated medical waste bags (RMW)

Responsibility

1. It is the responsibility of Environmental Service to complete the daily and discharge cleaning of rooms designated Novel Coronavirus SRAS-CoV-2 positive.
2. All Environmental Service Team members entering a room designated Novel Coronavirus SRAS-CoV-2 positive shall follow the facility's process for signing into and out of the rooms.

Room Cleaning Procedures

3. Arrive at the discharge room and leave secured housekeeping cart in the hall as to not obstruct passage.
4. Perform hand hygiene.
5. Don appropriate PPE which includes surgical facemask, Face Shield, Gloves and Isolation Gown.
6. Place a wet floor sign at the room entrance.
7. Using a dry mop, sweep any debris that may be on the floor towards the front of the room. - **IMPORTANT** - *mop behind any movable furniture/equipment.*
8. Using the dust pan and broom sweep debris into the dust pan and discard in the red regular solid waste container. - **IMPORTANT** - *Red regulated medical waste will always be red bagged, kept separate from Municipal waste, and disposed of as infectious waste. Never place a red bag on the floor.*
9. Remove all soiled and unused linen which shall be treated as regulated medical waste. Follow current, standard procedures and Stericycle's Waste Acceptance Policy.- **IMPORTANT** - *check all cabinets and drawers for unused linen and discard as soiled linen.*
 - a. Roll all linen into a bundle for easy handling.
 - b. Watching for sharps and protruding object, carry linen away from that body and place it in the appropriate container.
10. Remove cubical curtain and dispose in the red regulated medical waste container if disposable. Reusable curtains will be treated as curtains being removed from a room under contact isolation. The curtain shall be removed and bagged separately from all other curtains and placed in facility's designated area for pickup by the vendor.
11. Remove all toiletry products and dispose into the red regulated medical waste container.
12. Remove all soap and sanitizer products and dispose into the red regulated medical waste container.
13. Remove all sharps containers. Follow current, standard procedures and Stericycle's Waste Acceptance Policy.
14. Pick up all other waste and disposable patient use items in the room and dispose into the red regulated medical waste container.
 - a. Leave regulated medical waste can liner in container, twist and tie knot in the top of bag.
 - b. Do not push on the bag.

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- c. Lift liner carefully and place the bag into the appropriate lidded container.
 - d. Remove red regulated medical waste bag.
 - e. Disinfect waste receptacles inside and outside and Reline waste receptacles.
15. Carry all supplies and equipment into the room as needed.
 16. Disinfect area for your supplies using disinfectant.
 17. Inside bathroom with disinfectant wipes, clean ALL bathroom items to include sink, mirror, dispensers, shower stall, shower fixtures, shower seat, safety bars around toilet, bedside toilet, and entire toilet.
 18. Inside bathroom and patient room high dust everything above shoulder level with high duster: ceiling, vents, ceiling/overhead lights, walls, blinds, television, and ledges.
 19. Clean any windows that may be in the room.
 20. Sanitize area for your supplies using disinfectant.
 21. Clean all walls.
 22. Clean window sills.
 23. Disinfect high touch room surfaces following the back of the duty assignment sheet which lists all of the high touch room surfaces, starting at room entrance working clockwise. **IMPORTANT** - Use enough disinfectant wipes to ensure surface remains wet for the required contact time. Never re-dip a cleaning wipe in solution to use again.
 - f. Door knobs.
 - g. Light switches.
 - h. Thermostat.
 - i. Chairs.
 - j. Telephone (pay attention to wiping the ear and mouthpiece).
 - k. Call box.
 - l. Remote controls.
 - m. Bed rails / controls.
 - n. Overbed table including tray, framework, and casters.
 - o. Bedside nightstand including inside of drawers and drawer handles.
 - p. IV pole.
 - q. WOW to include keyboard / mouse.
 - r. Cabinet shelves and handles.
 - s. Dispensers.
 - t. Sharps containers.
 - u. Reusable Medical Equipment (RME).
 - v. Wall units.

w. ALL OTHER EQUIPMENT & FUNITURE NOT MENTIONED.

Bed Cleaning Procedures

1. Raise the head and foot of bed.
2. Working on one side of the bed, damp wipe one-half of the headboard (front and back).
3. Damp wipe half of the mattress.
4. Damp wipe one half of the bed frame and bedrails, including the wheels, wheel locks and steering controls.
5. Damp wipe one-half of the footboard (front and back).
6. Working to the other side of the bed complete the other half of the bed.
7. Return the mattress to its normal position.
8. Damp wipe head wall.

Ready Room Procedures

1. Remove PPE and perform hand hygiene and put on new gloves.
2. Check and refill dispensers.
3. Damp wipe and return cleaning materials and equipment to your cart.
4. Hang clean cubical curtain.
5. Make bed (if applicable).
6. Replace all toiletry products.
7. Replace all soap and sanitizer products.
8. Wet mop floor – being from back of room working toward the room entrance using an 'S' motion. - **IMPORTANT** - *mop behind any movable furniture/equipment.*

After Cleaning

1. Gather all cleaning supplies and discard disposables.
2. Disinfect all equipment.
3. Remove PPE.
4. Perform Hand Hygiene.
5. Visually inspect the room.
 - a. Was everything addressed?
 - b. All furniture is back in its original space?
6. Report any needed repairs to Supervisor/Manager.
7. Remove wet floor signs after the floor is dry.

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Inspection Standard

- Waste receptacles are clean and free of general build up.
- Trash and linen is disposed of in accordance with the facility guidelines.
- Floors are free of dust, debris, spills, and spots.
- All vents, ceilings, ledges, countertops, furniture and cabinets are clean and free of dust.
- The restroom is clean, free of dust, odors, and buildup (if applicable).
- All dispensers (soap, hand sanitizer, paper towels, and toilet paper) are stocked including drip trays.
- All surfaces are visibly clean.

UV-C

1. All rooms may be further disinfected using the pulses of high-intensity, high-energy ultraviolet (UV-C) light robot. The UV disinfection is not mandatory as long as the room is terminally cleaned.