



STOP

Visitors: Talk to a staff person before going into this room.

AIRBORNE PRECAUTIONS



Keep door and windows closed



N95, fit-tested and seal-checked respirator required for room entry*



Transport resident if necessary;
resident to wear a mask for transport

*For chickenpox, measles, and shingles (disseminated or in an immunocompromised resident) only immune staff should enter and do not require an N95 respirator



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Organism/Presentation	Duration of Precautions	Comments
Pulmonary, extrapulmonary with draining lesions, or laryngeal <i>Mycobacterium tuberculosis</i> (TB)	On the advice of the Infection Control Professional or per facility policy	Refer to Canadian TB Standards for additional information
Varicella (Chickenpox)	Until all lesions have crusted (usually five days)	Susceptible high-risk contacts may benefit from immune globulin Isolation of susceptible contacts may be required, contact Infection Control for advice
Measles (Rubeola)	Until four days after the start of the rash or for the duration of illness in immunocompromised residents	Prophylaxis may be indicated for susceptible contacts
Disseminated shingles or shingles in an immunocompromised resident	Until all lesions have crusted and dried	Susceptible high-risk contacts may benefit from immune globulin Isolation of susceptible contacts may be required, contact Infection Control for advice

Hand Hygiene	As per Routine Practices
Accommodation	Consult with Infection Control Professional about resident placement Private room required, preferably with negative pressure; if airborne isolation room with negative pressure is not available, efforts must be made to transfer the resident to a facility with appropriate accommodation Keep door and windows closed at all times
Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)	If known or suspected TB (pulmonary, extrapulmonary with draining lesions, or laryngeal) – N95 respirator on room entry for all Health Care Workers (HCW) Fit-testing and seal-checking required for proper N95 use Chickenpox, measles, and shingles (disseminated or in an immunocompromised resident) – only immune HCWs should enter room Other PPE required as per Routine Practices
Ambulation/Transportation	Resident transport/ambulation for essential purposes only Resident required to wear mask outside of room; transporting staff should wear N95 respirator Notify receiving area of required precautions
Visitors	Limit the number of visitors entering the room Educate about required precautions, including hand hygiene If known or suspected TB (pulmonary, extrapulmonary with draining lesions, or laryngeal) – N95 respirator on room entry for all visitors except household contacts Chickenpox, measles, and shingles (disseminated or in an immunocompromised resident) – non-immune visitors should not enter the room; if entry is required, N95 respirator must be worn
Resident Care Equipment	Routine Practices are sufficient Shared equipment should always be cleaned and disinfected between residents
Housekeeping	Routine housekeeping practices are sufficient. Allow adequate air changes before terminal cleaning. If cleaning required more urgently, housekeeping staff must wear N95 respirator in the case of TB or absence of immunity to other airborne illness