

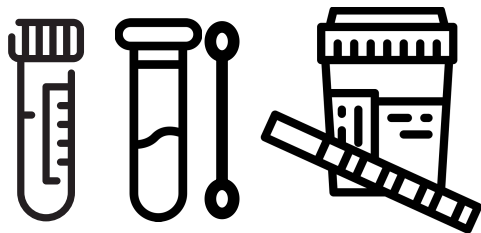
What can I do to help while being isolated?

- Wash hands
- Cough/sneeze into your elbow/sleeve
- Wear a mask
- If you have any questions, you can always ask your nurse or doctor.

Isolation removal process

We may do blood tests, nose swabs, xrays or urine tests to find out what is making you sick.

When the results come back, if they are negative or you have been treated for the infection, you will be taken off isolation.



An outbreak?

An outbreak happens when more than one patient on the same unit gets sick.

Infection Control talks to public health to decide if it is an outbreak.

To stop the spread, rules may change. Visitors may be limited. Patients may need to stay in their rooms. Sick or exposed patients are isolated and may need more tests. The whole unit may be tested. Staff may wear extra PPE.

Your family will be told what is happening. Ask your Nurse or Doctor if you have any questions.



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ISOLATION?

Additional Precautions: What they mean for you

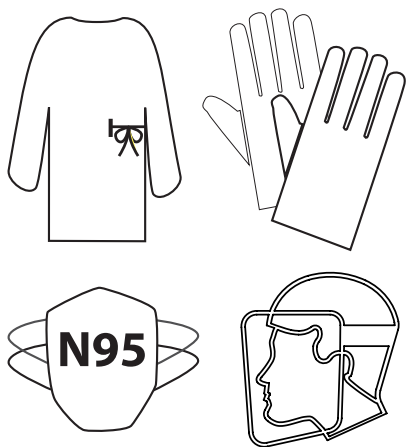
Your frequently asked questions, answered.

What are additional precautions?

Additional precautions (isolation) are extra steps to stop germs from spreading when someone has, or may have, an infection.

What measures are used?

Personal protective equipment (PPE) means wearing gloves, gowns, masks, or eye protection to stay safe. Sometimes the person also stays in a private room to stop germs from spreading to others.



Why am I on isolation?

When you come to the hospital, we will check if you have signs of infection.

Signs can include cough, runny nose, diarrhea, vomiting, fever, or trouble breathing.

If needed, you will be placed on isolation.

A sign will be on your door. Staff will wear extra PPE before entering. Visitors may be limited. Ask your nurse or doctor if visitors are allowed.



Requirements for permitted visitors:



If visitors are allowed, they must wear the right PPE.

A sign on your door shows what to wear. Visitors must check in at the nurse's desk first to learn how to put on and take off PPE safely.

They cannot eat or drink in your room. They must clean their hands before and after visiting..

