Before and After Cleaning
Routine daily cleaning of patient/resident room

**Before**

1. Check for Additional Precautions signs (droplet, contact, airborne) before you go into the room

   If there is a sign on the door:
   - Clean hands and put on any personal protective equipment needed.

2. Remove items from surfaces before cleaning

3. Gather supplies needed for cleaning

   Gather all the materials required for cleaning:
   - Enough clean cloths
     - At least 1 for each bed space
     - At least 2 for each bathroom (sink and toilet area)
   - Fresh cleaning solution and disinfectant

   **TIP** Wet the surface with the disinfectant and check the label to see how long it needs to stay wet.

**After**

1. All re-usable tools used for cleaning and disinfecting must be cleaned and dried between uses.

2. Disinfect housekeeping and linen carts before putting them away at the end of the day.
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## Remove dirty linen and waste from the room

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<th>Linen</th>
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<td>• Place dirty linen in linen bag.</td>
<td>• Remove waste by holding plastic bags</td>
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<td>• Fill linen bag and remove when ¾ full.</td>
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<td>• Do not overfill or press bags.</td>
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## Working from cleaner to dirty areas, follow these steps:

1. Clean door surfaces, handle and other touched areas of the frame.
2. Check walls and clean if dirty.
3. Clean light switches and thermostats.
4. Clean any wall mounted item such as ABHR dispenser.
5. Check sharps container and change when ¾ full.
6. Check glass surfaces and clean if dirty.
7. Check privacy curtain and replace if dirty.
8. Clean all furniture and flat surfaces.
9. Clean any medical equipment attached to walls in bed space.
10. Clean the bed space including the bedrails, bed controls, call bell and cord.
11. Put used cloths in separate bag for laundry.
12. Remove gloves and clean hands.
13. Get new supplies as needed.
14. Clean hands with ABHR when leaving the room.

## TIP
- Use at least one cloth per bed space in a multi-bed room.
- Use a sporicidal cleaner for rooms with *C. difficile* cases.