# **Before and After Cleaning**

# Routine discharge/transfer cleaning of a patient/resident room

#### **Before**

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. Remove items from surfaces before cleaning



**3** Gather supplies needed



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.

# **During Cleaning**

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1 Remove dirty linen and waste from the room



#### Linen

- Place dirty linen in linen bag.
- Fill linen bag and remove when ¾ full.

#### Waste

- Remove waste by holding plastic bags from the top.
- Do not overfill or press bags.

## 2 Bed and pillow



- Remove sheets and pillow cases carefully. DO NOT SHAKE.
- Roll and place into a dirty linen bag.

### 3 Personal Items



Throw away personal care items left in the room.

#### Item examples:

· Lotions, creams, and magazines

## Working from cleaner to dirty areas, follow these steps:

- 1. Clean door surface, handle and other touched areas of the frame.
- 2. Check walls and clean if dirty.
- 3. Clean light switches and thermostats.
- 4. Clean any items on the wall such as ABHR dispenser.
- 5. Check sharps container and change when ¾ full.
- 6. Check glass surfaces and clean if dirty.
- 7. Remove and replace privacy curtain.
- 8. Clean all furniture and flat surfaces.
- 9. Clean any medical equipment attached to walls in bed space.
- 10. Clean the bed. Clean all sides of mattress. Check for cracks and holes. Inspect for pest control. Clean entire bed frame.
- 11. Put used cloths in a separate bag for laundry.
- 12. Remove gloves and clean hands.
- 13. Restock supplies as needed.
- 14. Clean hands with ABHR on leaving the room.