Additional Precautions Summary





Additional Precautions are used in addition to Routine Practices when Routine Practices are not sufficient to prevent and control the transmission of infectious agents.

Categories of Additional Precautions are Contact, Droplet and Airborne Precautions. They may also be used in combination.

Elements of Additional Precautions may include accommodation, signage, Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), dedicated equipment, additional cleaning measures, limited transport and communication.

Additional Precautions should be initiated as soon as symptoms suggestive of a transmissible infection are noted, not only when a diagnosis is confirmed. Precautions need to remain in place until there is no longer a risk of transmission of the microorganism or illness.

