

Question 1

You are informed that Mrs. Trot needs to be placed on “Contact Precautions”.

What needs to be in place? Select the correct answer by inserting a “✓” in the box. Select all that apply.

- A. Put a Contact Precautions sign on the door.
- B. Put on a gown as required.
- C. Wear gloves when entering the room.
- D. Wear gloves and gown when entering Mrs. Trot’s room or bed space.
- E. Keep Mrs. Trot’s chart in the room.

Question 2

Which statement(s) about the initiation and discontinuation of Droplet-Contact Precautions is/are correct?

Select the correct answer by inserting a “✓” in the box. Select all that apply.

- A. Observe patient for 24 hours to see if respiratory symptoms resolve before initiating precautions.
- B. Initiate Droplet-Contact Precautions as soon as symptoms of a respiratory infection are observed.
- C. Wait until you receive positive laboratory results to initiate precautions.
- D. Discontinue precautions when instructed by the infection control professional or designate.

Question 3

Ms. Glum has been admitted with signs and symptoms of a gastrointestinal infection. There are no single rooms available. Move Ms. Glum into the best accommodation to help prevent the transmission of infectious agents.

Insert a “✓” to indicate the best move.

- A. 4 bed room with 1 toilet
- B. 3 bed room with 1 toilet
- C. 2 bed room with 1 toilet
- D. 2 bed room with 1 toilet and 1 commode

Question 4

Mrs. Drip is a patient on your unit. There is a Droplet-Contact Precautions sign on her door. What personal protective equipment (PPE) do you need to wear to perform the following tasks? Select the appropriate PPE by inserting a “✓”.

	Gown	Gloves	Mask	Eye Protection
Assess Mrs. Drip’s chest sounds.	✓	✓	✓	✓
Empty the garbage that’s immediately inside the room.		✓		
Remove the meal tray from Mrs. Drip’s bedside table.	✓	✓	✓	✓

Question 5

Mr. Sky is on Contact Precautions for a gastrointestinal infection. He needs to go for an abdominal X-ray. Which action(s) is/are correct? Select the action by inserting a “✓”. Select all that apply.

- A. Inform the X-ray department that Mr. Sky is on Contact Precautions.
- B. Wear a gown and gloves when assisting Mr. Sky onto a stretcher.
- C. Wear a gown and gloves while transporting Mr. Sky on the stretcher to X-ray.

Additional Feedback

Question 1

Whenever a patient is on Contact Precautions, signage is needed on the door or by the patient's bed space. Wear gloves each time you enter the room or bed space. Wear a gown as required. You need a gown if your skin or clothing will come in contact with the patient or the patient's environment. Do not keep the patient chart in the room.

Question 2

Droplet-Contact Precautions need to be initiated as soon as symptoms are identified. Do not wait for laboratory results. Discontinue precautions only when advised by the Infection Control Professional or the doctor.

Question 3

The best accommodation for a patient with signs and symptoms of a gastrointestinal infection is a single room with a dedicated toilet. When a single room is not available, the next best option is to use a two bed room with a toilet and provide a commode so the two patients are not sharing the same toilet.

Question 4

When assessing Mrs. Drip's chest sounds, you need to wear a gown, gloves, mask, eye protection to protect your face, uniform or clothing and hands because you are within 2 metres of Mrs. Drip. This helps to reduce the risk of transmission of infectious agents.

When emptying the garbage, you only need to wear gloves and gown because you are more than 2 metres away from Mrs. Drip and your skin or clothing will not come in contact with Mrs. Drip or her environment.

You will be within 2 metres of Mrs. Drip when you remove the meal tray so you need to wear a gown, gloves, mask and eye protection.

Question 5

It is important to communicate to other departments whenever Additional Precautions are required. Assisting Mr. Sky onto the stretcher is direct contact, so you need to wear a gown and gloves. While pushing the stretcher, you do not have direct contact with Mr. Sky, so you do not need to wear a gown and gloves.