

Question 1

You are informed that Mr. Touch needs to be placed on Contact Precautions.

What action(s) do you need to take? Select the correct answer by inserting a “✓” in the box. Select all that apply.

- A. Flag Mr. Touch’s client record.
- B. Put on a gown for direct care.
- C. Wear gloves for direct care.
- D. Wear gloves and a gown when entering Mr. Touch’s examination 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. Initiate Droplet-Contact Precautions as soon as symptoms of a respiratory infection are observed.
- B. Initiate precautions when the laboratory results are positive.
- C. Discontinue precautions two hours after the client leaves the clinic.
- D. Discontinue precautions based on client’s symptoms and clinic policy.

Question 3

Mr. Glum calls the clinic to book an appointment because his home care nurse is concerned that his wound is infected. Mr. Glum has recently been discharged from hospital with an antibiotic resistance organism (ARO) infection. Which strategy/strategies would help prevent the possible transmission of this infection? Insert a “✓” to indicate your choice.

- A. Use Contact Precautions
- B. Flag the chart.
- C. Clean the examination room after he leaves.
- D. Clean and disinfect all client care equipment used to provide care for Mr. Glum.

Question 4

Mrs. Star has been triaged into a clinic room because she has signs and symptoms of an acute respiratory infection. There is a Droplet-Contact sign on the clinic room door. What personal protective equipment (PPE) do the health care providers need to wear to perform the following tasks? Select the appropriate PPE by inserting a “✓”.

	Gown	Gloves	Mask	Eye Protection	No PPE
The doctor listens to Mrs. Star's chest.	✓	✓	✓	✓	
The receptionist removes a garbage bin from the doorway to Mrs. Star's clinic room.		✓			
The nurse sits beside Mrs. Star to do health teaching.			✓	✓	

Question 5

Ms. Sky is placed on Contact Precautions in a clinic room for a gastrointestinal infection. She needs to go for blood work and an abdominal X-ray in the Laboratory and Diagnostic Imaging departments down the hall. Which action(s) is/are correct? Select the action by inserting a “✓”. Select all that apply.

- A. Inform the Laboratory and Diagnostic Imaging that Ms. Sky is on Contact Precautions.
- B. Wear a gown and gloves when assisting Ms. Sky onto the Diagnostic Imaging table.
- C. Wear a gown and gloves to talk to Ms. Sky and give her a requisition.

Additional Feedback

Question 1

Whenever a patient/client is on Contact Precautions, a flag on the client record is needed. Place a Contact Precautions sign on the door while the patient/client is in the clinic room. Wear gloves and a gown for direct care.

Question 2

Droplet-Contact Precautions need to be initiated as soon as symptoms are identified. Do not wait for laboratory results. Discontinue precautions based on client's symptoms and the policy of your clinic. Discussion with the physician, nurse practitioner, infection control professional or designate may be required.

Question 3

Using Contact Precautions, flagging the chart, cleaning the examination room and equipment help reduce the transmission of infection.

Question 4

While assessing Mrs. Star's chest sounds, you need to wear a gown, gloves, mask and eye protection to protect your face, uniform or clothing and hands because you are providing direct care and are within two metres of Mrs. Star.

When emptying the garbage, you need to follow Routine Practices and wear gloves. You do not need facial protection because you are more than two metres away from Mrs. Star. You do not need a gown because you are not providing direct care.

When providing health teaching, you will be within two metres of Mrs. Star so you need to wear a mask and eye protection. In this instance you are not providing direct care.

Question 5

It is important to communicate to other agencies or departments whenever Additional Precautions are required. Assisting Ms. Sky onto the diagnostic imaging table is direct contact, so you need to wear a gown and gloves. When talking with Ms. Sky you do not have direct contact with her and no personal protective equipment is needed.