

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 for direct care.
- D. Wear gloves and gown when entering the bed space.

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 resident 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 advised by the infection control professional or the physician.

Question 3

Mrs. Glum has developed the signs and symptoms of a gastrointestinal infection. She is in a two-bed room. Which strategies would help to prevent the possible transmission of infectious agents? Insert a “✓” to indicate your choice.

- A. Move Mrs. Glum to a single room if one is available.
- B. Decide which resident will use the bathroom and which will use a commode.
- C. Keep the door closed.
- D. Transfer Mrs. Glum to hospital.

Question 4

Mrs. Drip is on Droplet-Contact Precautions. 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

Mrs. Rain is on Contact Precautions for a draining, infected wound. Her condition worsens and she needs to be transferred to the hospital. Which action(s) is/are correct? Insert a “✓” to indicate your choice.

- A. Inform the Patient Transfer Authorization Centre that Mr. Rain is on Contact Precautions.
- B. Wear a gown and gloves when assisting Mrs. Rain onto the ambulance stretcher.
- C. Wear gown and gloves to talk to Mrs. Rain to get more registration information.

Additional Feedback

Question 1

Whenever a resident is on Contact Precautions, signage is needed on the room door or by the resident's bed space. 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 when advised by the person responsible for infection control or the physician.

Question 3

Ideally a single room would be the best accommodation but it is not usually available. Having one resident use the bathroom and the other resident to use a bedpan or a commode helps to reduce the risk of transmission of infectious agents. Keeping the door closed is not necessary and is not a strategy to prevent the transmission of gastrointestinal infectious agents. There is presently no need to transfer Mrs. Glum to the hospital unless her condition worsens.

Question 4

While 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 providing direct care and are within two metres of Mrs. Drip. This helps to reduce the risk of transmission of infectious agents.

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. Drip. You do not need a gown because you are not providing direct care.

You will be within two metres from Mrs. Drip when you remove the meal tray 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 service providers or facilities whenever Additional Precautions are required. Assisting Mrs. Rain onto the stretcher is direct contact, so you need to wear a gown and gloves. When talking with Mrs. Rain, you are not providing direct care. No personal protective equipment is needed. Always clean your hands according to the four moments.