

Infectious Diseases and Staff Exclusion Table

DISEASE	WHAT IT IS	HOW IS IT SPREAD	CLIENT ISOLATION/STAFF EXCLUSION	CLEANING REQUIREMENTS	PPE TO BE WORN	ACTION BY STAFF
<p>Acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS)</p> <p>Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV)</p> <p>All categories where person is HIV positive</p>	<p>Acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS) is an infectious disease caused by the human immune-deficiency virus (HIV) found in blood and body substances</p>	<p>Blood and body substances</p> <p>Sexual contact</p> <p>Direct inoculation</p> <p>Mucous membrane contamination.</p> <p>Vertical transmission (mother to baby in utero) via breast feeding.</p>	<p>Client: isolation not required. Staff with colds, hand infections etc. should not attend.</p> <p>In later stages, isolation may be indicated for opportunistic infections, i.e. TB, or where hygiene is poor, if profuse bleeding likely, or if client is non-compliant</p> <p>Staff: HIV positive staff need not be excluded from environmental duties. Infected staff must take precautions to prevent possible contamination of client and other staff.</p>	<p>Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all environmental cleaning.</p> <p><i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the presence of MROs (including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using detergent followed by cleaning with a disinfectant (a two step clean)</i></p>	<p>Gloves, apron, eye protection when contact with blood or body substances i.e. wound drainage, broken skin, urine, faeces vomit</p>	<p>Standard precautions with strict attention to hand hygiene</p> <p>Notifiable disease</p>

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Bacterial Infections	Infection caused by bacteria	Direct and indirect by hands and objects	<p>Client: Isolation not required.</p> <p>Staff: Any staphylococcal lesions (e.g. boils, wound infections) must be covered with an occlusive dressing while at work. If lesions cannot be covered, must not have contact with clients or prepare food until they have received appropriate antibiotic therapy and the infection has resolved.</p>	<p>Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all environmental cleaning.</p> <p><i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the presence of MROs (including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using detergent followed by cleaning with a disinfectant (a two step clean)</i></p>	Gloves, apron, eye protection when contact with blood or body substances i.e. wound drainage, broken skin, urine, faeces vomit	<p>Standard precautions with strict attention to hand hygiene.</p> <p>Contact precautions may be required for certain infections in addition to standard precautions</p> <p>Staff must not work until they have seen a doctor and received medical clearance</p>
Campylobacter	An agent of acute gastroenteritis that can cause systemic infection in including gastroenteritis immunocompromised persons such as the elderly	Faecal-oral route direct or indirect contact with contaminated surfaces or objects	<p>Client: must be isolated while diarrhoea persists. Isolated until 48 hours after symptoms have resolved.</p> <p>Staff: Must not come to work while symptomatic (e.g. diarrhoea and/or</p>	<p>Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all environmental cleaning.</p> <p><i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the presence of MROs</i></p>	Gloves, gown when entering clients home. Eye protection if splashing to the eyes is likely	<p>Standard + contact precautions with strict attention to hand hygiene</p> <p>Notifiable disease</p>

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			vomiting) and until 48 hours after symptoms have resolved	<i>(including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using detergent followed by cleaning with a disinfectant (a two step clean)</i>		
Chicken Pox / Shingles	See Herpes Virus – Varicella					
CMV – Cytomegalovirus	See Herpes Virus					CMV infection is of particular concern to pregnant women because of the possibility of foetal damage if this infection is acquired for the first time during pregnancy. CMV may be shed into blood, urine, saliva, semen, breast milk, tears and faeces.
Clostridium Difficile (Pseudomembranous Colitis)	A species of bacteria that cause profuse diarrhoea resulting from prolonged use of antibiotics.	Direct and indirect contact with faeces or contaminated surfaces or	Client: must be isolated while diarrhoea persists. Isolated until 48 hours after symptoms have resolved.	Clean surfaces with neutral detergent then disinfect surfaces with a chlorine based disinfectant (1 in 1000	Gloves, gown when entering clients home. Eye protection if	Standard + contact precautions with strict attention to hand hygiene Although alcohol-based hand

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	Predominately affects the elderly.	objects	Staff: Must not come to work while symptomatic (e.g. diarrhoea and/or vomiting) and until 48 hours after symptoms have resolved	hypochlorite solution) <i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the presence of MROs (including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using detergent followed by cleaning with a disinfectant (a two step clean)</i> Take particular care with cleaning to ensure removal of all faeces and contamination.	splashing to the eyes is likely	hygiene products are inactive against spores of C. difficile, their frequent use and glove use is still recommended. If hands become visibly soiled hand washing with soap and water is required. Notifiable disease
Conjunctivitis Bacterial	– Conjunctivitis is an inflammation or redness of the lining of the white part of the eye and the underside of the eyelid (conjunctiva)	Direct and indirect Contact with infected eyes or secretions	Client: No isolation required. Client must be encouraged to perform frequent hand hygiene. Staff: Must not have client contact for the	Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer’s instructions for all environmental cleaning.	Gloves when contact with eyes or secretions from the eye is anticipated.	Standard precautions with strict attention to hand hygiene.

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	that can be caused by infection, allergic reaction, or physical agents like infrared or ultraviolet light. Commonly known as 'red eye'		duration of the symptoms (i.e. while eye discharge is present). Must not come to work until the discharge from eyes has stopped unless doctor has diagnosed a non-infectious conjunctivitis			
Conjunctivitis – Viral	Conjunctivitis is an inflammation or redness of the lining of the white part of the eye and the underside of the eyelid (conjunctiva) that can be caused by infection, allergic reaction, or physical agents like infrared or ultraviolet light. Commonly known as 'red eye'	Direct and indirect Contact with infected eyes or secretions	Client: No isolation required. Client must be encouraged to perform frequent hand hygiene. Staff: Must not have client contact for the duration of the symptoms (i.e. while eye discharge is present). Must not come to work until the discharge from eyes has stopped unless doctor has diagnosed a non-infectious conjunctivitis	Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all environmental cleaning. <i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the presence of MROs (including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using detergent followed by cleaning with a disinfectant (a two step clean)</i>	Gloves and apron when contact with eyes or secretions from the eye is anticipated.	Standard + Contact precautions with strict attention to hand hygiene. <i>Highly Contagious. Outbreaks can occur</i>

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Covid 19	Covid 19 is a contagious disease that is caused by the Novel Coronavirus or 2019-nCov. COVID-19 is a new illness that can affect your lungs and airways. It's caused by a type of coronavirus and the symptoms are: cough, fever at least 38 degree C, sore throat, sneezing, runny nose, temporary loss of smell, and shortness of breath which can lead to potentially fatal form of pneumonia.	Droplet spread by coughing and sneezing, close personal contact, contact with an object or surface with viral particles on it and then touching your mouth, nose or eyes	<p>Client: Droplet and contact isolation for duration of illness 14 days from first symptoms and 48 hours after symptoms resolve.</p> <p>Staff: Exclusion for duration of illness 14 days from first symptoms and 48 hours after symptoms resolved.</p>	<p>Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all environmental cleaning.</p> <p><i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the presence of MROs (including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using detergent followed by cleaning with a disinfectant (a two step clean)</i></p>	<p>PPE - Gloves, apron, eye protection and surgical mask prior to entering clients home.</p> <p>Good hand hygiene, regularly wash and thoroughly dry hands and practice good cough etiquette. When removing PPE follow MOH guidelines for Don and Doff PPE</p>	<p>Standard + Droplet + Contact precautions</p> <p>Liaise with Healthline 0800 358 5453</p> <p>Refer to the MoH guidelines. https://www.health.govt.nz/our-work/diseases-and-conditions/covid-19-novel-coronavirus/covid-19-health-advice-general-public/about-covid-19</p>
Creutzfeldt – Jakob disease – CJD	Creutzfeldt – Jakob disease (CJD) is a transmissible, rapidly progressing	Contact with Prion (protein) infected body fluids and tissue	<p>Client: No isolation required</p> <p>Staff: No exclusion</p>	Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all	Gloves, apron, eye protection when contact with blood or	<p>Standard precautions with strict attention to hand hygiene</p> <p>Notifiable disease</p>

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	neurodegenerative disorder related to 'Mad Cow Disease'	including CSF, brain, spinal cord and eye e.g. during brain or eye surgery.	required	environmental cleaning	body substances i.e. wound drainage, broken skin, urine, faeces, vomit	
Enterovirus	Any of a group of viruses that primarily affect the gastrointestinal tract causing diarrhoea	Faecal-oral route direct or indirect contact with contaminated surfaces or objects	<p>Client: must be isolated while diarrhoea persists. Isolated until 48 hours after symptoms have resolved.</p> <p>Staff: Must not come to work while symptomatic (e.g. diarrhoea and/or vomiting) and until 48 hours after symptoms have resolved</p>	<p>Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all environmental cleaning.</p> <p><i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the presence of MROs (including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using detergent followed by cleaning with a disinfectant (a two step clean)</i></p>	<p>Gloves, gown when entering clients home.</p> <p>Eye protection if splashing to the eyes is likely</p> <p>Masks may be necessary if in contact with client who is vomiting</p>	<p>Standard + Contact precautions with strict attention to hand hygiene</p> <p><i>Some types of enterovirus are a Notifiable disease</i></p>

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Food Poisoning	Vomiting and diarrhoea caused by a food poisoning bacteria	Faecal-oral route from infected food	<p>Client: must be isolated while diarrhoea persists. Isolated until 48 hours after symptoms have resolved.</p> <p>Staff: Must not come to work while symptomatic (e.g. diarrhoea and/or vomiting) and until 48 hours after symptoms have resolved</p>	<p>Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all environmental cleaning.</p> <p><i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the presence of MROs (including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using detergent followed by cleaning with a disinfectant (a two step clean)</i></p>	<p>Gloves, gown when entering clients home.</p> <p>Eye protection if splashing to the eyes is likely</p>	<p>Standard + Contact precautions with strict attention to hand hygiene</p> <p>Notifiable disease</p>
Gastroenteritis	Gastroenteritis is a term for infection or irritation of the digestive tract, particularly the stomach and intestine. It often	Faecal-oral route direct or indirect contact with contaminated surfaces or objects	<p>Client: must be isolated while diarrhoea persists. Isolated until 48 hours after symptoms have resolved.</p> <p>Staff: Must not come to</p>	<p>Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all environmental cleaning.</p> <p><i>Where gross soiling</i></p>	<p>Gloves, gown when entering clients home.</p> <p>Eye protection if splashing to the eyes is likely</p>	<p>Standard + Contact precautions with strict attention to hand hygiene</p> <p>Notifiable disease</p>

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	causing diarrhoea and vomiting		work while symptomatic (e.g. diarrhoea and/or vomiting) and until 48 hours after symptoms have resolved	<i>occurs or in the presence of MROs (including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using detergent followed by cleaning with a disinfectant (a two step clean)</i>	Masks may be necessary if in contact with client who is vomiting	
Glandular fever (Infectious mononucleosis)	Systemic infection caused by the Epstein Barr virus. It can be a debilitating infectious disease characterised by fever, headaches, malaise and sore throat, transient skin rash, mild hepatitis, swollen glands.	Direct or Indirect contact saliva & respiratory secretions	Client: No isolation required Staff: No need for exclusion, even if having direct client contact, provided staff members are well enough to return to work and use standard precautions	Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all environmental cleaning.	Gloves, apron, eye protection when contact with blood or body substances i.e. wound drainage, broken skin, urine, faeces, vomit	Standard precautions with strict attention to hand hygiene
Haemophilus Influenzae	<i>Haemophilus Influenzae</i> infections are a group of contagious diseases	Direct or Indirect contact saliva & respiratory	Client: Droplet isolation required Staff: Exclude until staff	Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all	Gloves, apron, surgical masks and eye protection	Standard + Droplet precautions with strict attention to hand hygiene

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	that are caused by gram negative bacterium, and affect only humans. Some haemophilus infections are potentially fatal.	secretions	member has received appropriate antibiotic treatment for at least 4 days. Contact doctor for advice.	environmental cleaning. <i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the presence of MROs (including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using detergent followed by cleaning with a disinfectant (a two step clean)</i>	when entering clients home.	Notifiable disease
Head Lice	A louse frequently transmitted by brushes and hair accessories	Contact – Direct skin to skin contact with hair brushes and accessories	Client: No isolation required Staff: Exclusion until 48 hours after effective treatment. Treat all infected clients/staff on the same day with recommended treatment.	Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer’s instructions for all environmental cleaning.	Gloves and aprons when handling infected areas, equipment or linen	Standard + Contact precautions with strict attention to hand hygiene until 48 hours after effective treatment initiated. Change all bed linen on day of treatment and launder in hot water Infectivity ceases within 48 hours of effective treatment

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Hepatitis A	Hepatitis A is an inflammation of the liver caused by a virus, the Hepatitis A virus (HAV)	Faecal-oral route direct or indirect contact with contaminated surfaces or objects	<p>Client: Contact isolation required</p> <p>Staff: Exclude until a medical certificate of recovery is received, but not before seven days after the onset of jaundice</p>	<p>Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all environmental cleaning.</p> <p><i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the presence of MROs (including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using detergent followed by cleaning with a disinfectant (a two step clean)</i></p>	<p>Gloves, gown when entering clients home.</p> <p>Eye protection if splashing to the eyes is likely</p>	<p>Standard + Contact precautions with strict attention to hand hygiene</p> <p>Compliant adults without diarrhoea need not be isolated. Isolate for 7 days after onset of jaundice</p> <p>Notifiable disease</p>
Hepatitis B	Hepatitis B is an inflammation of the liver caused by a virus, the Hepatitis B virus (HBV)	Direct or Indirect contact with infected blood and body substances	<p>Client: No isolation required</p> <p>Staff: Infected staff must take precautions to avoid contaminating clients and other staff. Hepatitis B carriers need</p>	<p>Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all environmental cleaning.</p> <p><i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the</i></p>	<p>Gloves, apron, eye protection when contact with blood or body substances i.e. wound drainage, broken skin,</p>	<p>Standard precautions with strict attention to hand hygiene</p> <p>Vaccination is available. Discuss with local doctor.</p> <p>Notifiable disease</p>

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			not be excluded from duties	<i>presence of MROs (including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using detergent followed by cleaning with a disinfectant (a two step clean)</i>	urine, faeces, vomit	
Hepatitis C	Hepatitis C is an inflammation of the liver caused by a virus, the Hepatitis C virus (HCV)	Blood and body substances	<p>Client: No isolation required</p> <p>Staff: Staff who are Hepatitis C carriers need not be excluded from duties.</p> <p>Infected staff must take precautions to avoid contaminating clients and other staff</p>	<p>Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all environmental cleaning.</p> <p><i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the presence of MROs (including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using detergent followed by cleaning with a</i></p>	Gloves, apron, eye protection when contact with blood or body substances i.e. wound drainage, broken skin, urine, faeces, vomit	<p>Standard precautions with strict attention to hand hygiene</p> <p><i>Notifiable disease</i></p>

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				<i>disinfectant (a two step clean)</i>		
Hepatitis D	Hepatitis D is an inflammation of the liver caused by a virus, the Hepatitis D virus (HDV)	Blood and body substances	<p>Client: No isolation required</p> <p>Staff: Staff exclusion. Contact doctor for advice</p>	<p>Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all environmental cleaning.</p> <p><i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the presence of MROs (including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using detergent followed by cleaning with a disinfectant (a two step clean)</i></p>	Gloves, apron, eye protection when contact with blood or body substances i.e. wound drainage, broken skin, urine, faeces, vomit	<p>Prevention of Hepatitis B prevents infection with Hepatitis D</p> <p>Notifiable disease</p>
Hepatitis E	Hepatitis E is an inflammation of the liver caused by a virus, the Hepatitis E	Faeces direct or indirect contact	Client: Contact isolation required until at least 14 days after onset of jaundice	Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all	Gloves, gown when entering clients home.	Standard + Contact precautions with strict attention to hand hygiene

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	virus (HEV)		Staff: Staff exclusion contact doctor for advice	environmental cleaning. <i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the presence of MROs (including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using detergent followed by cleaning with a disinfectant (a two step clean)</i>	Eye protection if splashing to the eyes is likely	Period on communicability unknown, probably at least 14 days after onset of jaundice Notifiable disease
Herpes Virus Varicella-Zoster virus (VZV) a) Chicken Pox	Both chicken pox and shingles are caused by varicella virus which is a type of a herpes virus. Chicken pox generally affects the young while the elderly frequently develop shingles	Direct contact exudates. Direct and indirect contact with respiratory secretions	Client: Contact isolation required until lesions are dry and crusted over Staff: Staff must be away from work until all blisters have dried.	Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all environmental cleaning. <i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the presence of MROs (including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission</i>	Gloves, gown when entering clients home. Eye protection if splashing to the eyes is likely Masks will be necessary if in contact with client who has	Standard + Contact precautions with strict attention to hand hygiene Precautions must apply until lesions dry and crusted over. Only immune staff should have contact with clients with Varicella Zoster/Herpes Zoster. Pregnant or potentially pregnant
b) Herpes Zoster - Shingles		Direct from exudates-	Must not provide ANY direct contact if lesions			

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		indirect from objects and surfaces	cannot be covered (e.g. ophthalmic zoster). If active lesions can be covered, can provide contact to all clients except for pregnant women, severely immune compromised clients with extensive eczema.	<i>based precautions physically clean using detergent followed by cleaning with a disinfectant (a two step clean)</i>	chicken pox	staff without a history of chicken pox should be aware of the risks associated with their susceptibility to this infection and should discuss this with their local doctor. A chicken pox vaccine is available.
Herpes Simplex (HSV) a) Oro-facial (HSV-I) (Cold sores) b) Genital (HSV-II)		Direct or indirect contact with exudates, lesions or objects	Client: No isolation required Staff: Must not provide direct contact to severely immune compromised clients and/or clients with extensive eczema if there is any exposed herpetic lesion. May provide direct contact to other clients.	Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all environmental cleaning. <i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the presence of MROs (including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using detergent followed by</i>	Gloves, apron, eye protection when contact with blood or body substances i.e. wound drainage, lesions, broken skin, urine, faeces, vomit. Do not need to wear a mask	Standard precautions with strict attention to hand hygiene Contact precautions may be required in addition to standard precautions.

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				<i>cleaning with a disinfectant (a two step clean)</i>		
Herpes Virus Cytomegalovirus (CMV)	Cytomegalovirus is a Human Herpes virus and is part of the herpes family of viruses. It is a common virus	Direct or indirect contact body secretions	<p>Client: No isolation required</p> <p>Staff: Exclusion not required.</p> <p>Concerned pregnant staff should consult their doctor.</p>	Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all environmental cleaning.	Gloves, apron, eye protection when contact with blood or body substances i.e. wound drainage, lesions, broken skin, urine, faeces, vomit	Standard precautions with strict attention to hand hygiene CMV infection is of particular concern to pregnant women because of the possibility of foetal damage if this infection is acquired for the first time during pregnancy. CMV may be shed into blood, urine, saliva, semen, breast milk, tears and faeces.
Epstein-Barr Virus (EBV)	See cytomegalovirus (CMV)					
Impetigo	Impetigo is a highly contagious skin infection that is most common in children but can affect the elderly who may come into contact with infected sores or skin. Commonly	Direct contact with infected skin or sores	<p>Client: Contact isolation until 48 hours after treatment. Any sores on exposed skin should be covered with a watertight dressing</p> <p>Staff: Exclude until appropriate antibiotic</p>	Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all environmental cleaning. <i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the presence of MROs</i>	Gloves, gown when entering clients home. Eye protection if splashing to the eyes is likely	Standard + Contact precautions with strict attention to hand hygiene Precautions until 48 hours after initiation of effective treatment.

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	known as 'school sores'		treatment has commenced. Any sores on exposed skin should be covered with a watertight dressing	<i>(including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using detergent followed by cleaning with a disinfectant (a two step clean)</i>		
Infectious Diarrhoea (suspected)	Any of a group of that cause diarrhoea	Faecal-oral route direct or indirect contact with contaminated surfaces or objects	<p>Client: must be isolated while diarrhoea persists. Isolated until 48 hours after symptoms have resolved.</p> <p>Staff: Must not come to work while symptomatic (e.g. diarrhoea and/or vomiting) and until 48 hours after symptoms have resolved</p>	Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all environmental cleaning. <i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the presence of MROs (including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using detergent followed by cleaning with a disinfectant (a two step clean)</i>	<p>Gloves, gown when entering clients home.</p> <p>Eye protection if splashing to the eyes is likely</p> <p>Masks may be necessary if in contact with client who is vomiting</p>	<p>Standard + Contact precautions with strict attention to hand hygiene</p> <p><i>Some types of infectious diarrhoea are a Notifiable disease</i></p>

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Influenza	Viral infection of the respiratory tract	Droplet and direct contact with secretions	<p>Client: Droplet isolation required until 7 days after symptoms commenced</p> <p>Staff: Exclusions required. Contact doctor for advice</p>	<p>Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all environmental cleaning.</p> <p><i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the presence of MROs (including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using detergent followed by cleaning with a disinfectant (a two step clean)</i></p>	Gloves, apron, surgical masks and eye protection when entering clients home	<p>Standard + Droplet + Contact precautions with strict attention to hand hygiene</p> <p>Clients leaving apartment may need to wear a mask</p> <p>Annual vaccination recommended for staff and clients</p> <p>Notifiable disease</p>
Legionellosis (Legionnaires disease)	A potentially fatal form of pneumonia caused by the <i>legionella</i> bacterium	Airborne – via inhalation of aerosolised contaminated water. Not person to person	<p>Client: No isolation required</p> <p>Staff: Exclusion not required.</p>	<p>Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all environmental cleaning.</p> <p><i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the</i></p>	Gloves, apron, eye protection when contact with blood or body substances i.e. wound drainage, lesions, broken	<p>Standard precautions with strict attention to hand hygiene</p>

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				<i>presence of MROs (including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using detergent followed by cleaning with a disinfectant (a two step clean)</i>	skin, urine, faeces, vomit	
Listeria	Listeriosis is an illness that arises from infection caused by eating food contaminated with the bacterium <i>Listeria monocytogenes</i>	Usually via contaminated food	<p>Client: No isolation required</p> <p>Staff: Exclusion not required.</p>	<p>Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all environmental cleaning.</p> <p><i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the presence of MROs (including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using detergent followed by cleaning with a</i></p>	Gloves, apron, eye protection when contact with blood or body substances i.e. wound drainage, lesions, broken skin, urine, faeces, vomit	<p>Standard precautions – ensure hygienic food handling practices are maintained</p> <p>Pregnant staff should avoid contact with potentially infective materials and foods – eat only properly cooked foods and pasteurizes dairy products.</p>

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				<i>disinfectant (a two step clean)</i>		
Measles	Measles is a highly infectious illness caused by a virus. It generally affects children but may infect non immune adults	Airborne via droplet spread, direct contact with infected throat or nasal secretions – highly communicable.	<p>Client: Droplet isolation required</p> <p>Staff: If suspected, must remain off of work until test results are known. Staff must be excluded until 4 days after the appearance of the rash if they develop measles</p>	<p>Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer’s instructions for all environmental cleaning.</p> <p><i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the presence of MROs (including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using detergent followed by cleaning with a disinfectant (a two step clean)</i></p>	Gloves, apron, surgical masks and eye protection when entering clients home	<p>Standard + Droplet precautions until 4 days after rash appears</p> <p>Vaccine preventable disease. Refer to GP</p> <p>Unvaccinated and susceptible persons should not enter apartment</p> <p>Notifiable disease</p>
Meningococcal Infection	Meningococcal disease is a bacterial infection that causes two very serious illnesses: meningitis (an infection of the	Respiratory by droplet from nose or throat of infectious person	<p>Client: Droplet isolation required</p> <p>Staff: Staff who have had contact need to contact their GP.</p>	Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer’s instructions for all environmental cleaning.	Gloves, apron, surgical masks and eye protection when entering clients home	<p>Standard + Droplet precautions.</p> <p>Standard precautions once treatment is initiated. Seek doctors’ advice regarding treatment options.</p>

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	membranes that cover the brain) and septicaemia (Blood poisoning)		Exclude until appropriate antibiotic treatment has been completed	<i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the presence of MROs (including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using detergent followed by cleaning with a disinfectant (a two step clean)</i>		Routine vaccination not recommended for staff, except in cases of outbreak Notifiable disease
Mumps	Mumps is an extremely contagious viral infection that usually affects children but may affect non immune adults	Airborne droplet spread and direct contact with saliva of infected person	Client: Droplet isolation required Staff: If suspected must remain off work until appropriate test results are known. Staff must be excluded from work for 9 days after the onset of swelling if they develop mumps	Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all environmental cleaning. <i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the presence of MROs (including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using</i>	Gloves, apron, surgical masks and eye protection when entering clients house	Standard + Droplet + Contact precautions until 9 days after onset of swelling Exposed non-immune people should be considered infectious from 12 th – 25 th day after exposure, with or without symptoms Vaccine preventable disease. Refer to GP. Notifiable disease

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				<i>detergent followed by cleaning with a disinfectant (a two step clean)</i>		
Methicillin Resistant Staph Aureus (MRSA) a) Skin and wounds	MRSA is a term used to describe a number of strains of Staphylococcus aureus bacteria that are resistant to a number of antibiotics including methicillin	Direct or indirect contact with exudate	<p>Client: Isolation not required. If gross exudate shedding from wound or infected site contact precautions will be required when contact with a client.</p> <p>Staff: Exclusion not required. Any staphylococcal lesions (e.g. boils, wound infections) must be covered with an occlusive dressing while at work. If lesions cannot be covered staff must not have direct contact with a client and must attend their doctor. The doctor will advise appropriate</p>	Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all environmental cleaning. <i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the presence of MROs (including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using detergent followed by cleaning with a disinfectant (a two step clean)</i>	Gloves, apron, eye protection when contact with blood or body substances i.e. wound drainage, lesions, broken skin, urine, faeces, vomit	<p>Standard precautions with strict attention to hand hygiene. Contact Precautions may be required in addition to standard precautions after risk assessment.</p> <p>No special precautions are necessary for the handling of eating utensils or crockery. Hot water and detergent used in the dishwasher will effectively decontaminate crockery, cutlery and glass.</p>

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			antibiotic therapy and advise when the staff member can return to work (infection has resolved).			
MRSA b) Respiratory	MRSA is a term used to describe a number of strains of Staphylococcus aureus bacteria that are resistant to a number of antibiotics including methicillin	Direct contact with infected respiratory secretions	Client: Isolation not required. If large amounts of sputum contact precautions will be required when contact with a client. Staff: Infected staff should contact their doctor who will advise appropriate antibiotic therapy and advise when the staff member can return to work (infection has resolved)	Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all environmental cleaning. <i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the presence of MROs (including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using detergent followed by cleaning with a disinfectant (a two step clean)</i>	Gloves, apron, eye protection when contact with blood or body substances i.e. wound drainage, sputum, urine, faeces, vomit	Standard precautions with strict attention to hand hygiene. Contact Precautions may be required in addition to standard precautions after risk assessment. No special precautions are necessary for the handling of eating utensils or crockery. Hot water and detergent used in the dishwasher will effectively decontaminate crockery, cutlery and glass.
MRSA c) Eyes	MRSA is a term used to describe a number of strains of	Direct contact with exudate from eyes	Client: Isolation not required.	Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's	Gloves, apron, eye protection when contact	Standard precautions with strict attention to hand hygiene. Contact Precautions may be

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	Staphylococcus aureus bacteria that are resistant to a number of antibiotics including methicillin		Staff: Infected staff should contact their doctor who will advise appropriate antibiotic therapy and advise when the staff member can return to work (infection has resolved)	instructions for all environmental cleaning. <i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the presence of MROs (including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using detergent followed by cleaning with a disinfectant (a two step clean)</i>	with blood or body substances i.e. wound drainage, eye secretions, urine, faeces, vomit	required in addition to standard precautions after risk assessment. No special precautions are necessary for the handling of eating utensils or crockery. Hot water and detergent used in the dishwasher will effectively decontaminate crockery, cutlery and glass.
MRSA d) Urine	MRSA is a term used to describe a number of strains of Staphylococcus aureus bacteria that are resistant to a number of antibiotics including methicillin	Direct contact with infected urine	Client: Isolation not required. Staff: Infected staff should contact their doctor who will advise appropriate antibiotic therapy and advise when the staff member can return to work (infection has resolved)	Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all environmental cleaning. <i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the presence of MROs (including C. difficile) or other infectious agents</i>	Gloves, apron, eye protection when contact with blood or body substances i.e. wound drainage, urine, faeces, vomit	Standard precautions with strict attention to hand hygiene. Contact Precautions may be required in addition to standard precautions after risk assessment. No special precautions are necessary for the handling of eating utensils or crockery. Hot water and detergent used in the dishwasher will effectively

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				<i>requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using detergent followed by cleaning with a disinfectant (a two step clean)</i>		decontaminate crockery, cutlery and glass.
MRSA e) Colonisation	MRSA is a term used to describe a number of strains of Staphylococcus aureus bacteria that are resistant to a number of antibiotics including methicillin	Contact with infected surfaces or body substances	Client: Isolation not required. Staff: Exclusion not required	Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all environmental cleaning. <i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the presence of MROs (including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using detergent followed by cleaning with a disinfectant (a two step clean)</i>	Gloves, apron, eye protection when contact with blood or body substances i.e. wound drainage, urine, faeces, vomit	Standard precautions with strict attention to hand hygiene. No special precautions are necessary for the handling of eating utensils or crockery. Hot water and detergent used in the dishwasher will effectively decontaminate crockery, cutlery and glass.
Norovirus	Vomiting and	Faecal-oral	Client: must be isolated	Neutral detergent	Gloves, gown	Standard + Droplet + Contact

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	diarrhoea caused by Norwalk like virus	route direct or indirect contact with contaminated surfaces or objects	while diarrhoea persists. Isolated until 48 hours after symptoms have resolved. Staff: Must not come to work while symptomatic (e.g. diarrhoea and/or vomiting) and until 48 hours after symptoms have resolved	diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all environmental cleaning. <i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the presence of MROs (including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using detergent followed by cleaning with a disinfectant (a two step clean)</i>	and surgical mask when entering clients home. Eye protection if splashing to the eyes is likely Masks necessary if in contact with client who is vomiting	precautions with strict attention to hand hygiene Alcohol-based hand hygiene products are less effective than hand washing with soap and water for this infectious agent. Notifiable disease
Pertussis (Whooping Cough)	Whooping Cough is a contagious bacterial infection of the respiratory tract that causes uncontrollable coughing and difficulty breathing.	Direct and indirect contact with droplets	Client: Droplet isolation until 5 days after commencement of appropriate antibiotic therapy, or for 21 days after the onset of symptoms if not receiving antibiotic treatment.	Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all environmental cleaning. <i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the presence of MROs</i>	Gloves, gown and surgical mask when entering clients home. Eye protection if splashing to the eyes is likely	Standard + Droplet precautions Unvaccinated and susceptible persons should not enter apartment. Exclude suspected case from the presence of young children particularly those not immunised.

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			<p>Staff: Remain away from work until at least 5 days after commencement of appropriate antibiotic therapy, or for 21 days after the onset of symptoms if not receiving antibiotic treatment.</p>	<p><i>(including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using detergent followed by cleaning with a disinfectant (a two step clean)</i></p>		<p>Vaccine preventable disease. Refer to GP.</p> <p>Notifiable disease</p>
<p>Pinworms, thread worms</p>	<p>The pinworm, also known as threadworm is a very common intestinal parasite</p>	<p>Faecal-oral route direct or indirect contact with contaminated surfaces or objects</p>	<p>Client: Isolation not required.</p> <p>Staff: Exclusion not required</p>	<p>Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all environmental cleaning. Vacuum apartment of infected person daily for several days</p>	<p>Gloves, apron, eye protection when contact with blood or body substances i.e. wound drainage, urine, faeces, vomit</p>	<p>Standard precautions with strict attention to hand hygiene. Hand hygiene is the most effective method of prevention</p> <p>Avoid shaking bed linen and wash bedding daily.</p>
<p>Pneumococcal pneumonia</p>	<p>Pneumococcal pneumonia, a kind of pneumonia. It can infect the upper respiratory tract and can spread to the</p>	<p>Direct and indirect contact with droplets</p>	<p>Client: Droplet isolation until after appropriate antibiotic therapy undertaken</p> <p>Staff: Remain away from</p>	<p>Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all environmental cleaning.</p>	<p>Gloves, gown and surgical mask when entering clients home.</p>	<p>Standard + Droplet precautions with strict attention to hand hygiene.</p> <p>Vaccine preventable disease. Refer to GP.</p>

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	<p>blood, lungs, middle ear or nervous system</p> <p>It mainly causes illness in adults 65 years of age or older</p>		work until appropriate antibiotic therapy undertaken. Seek advice from doctor.	<i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the presence of MROs (including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using detergent followed by cleaning with a disinfectant (a two step clean)</i>	Eye protection if splashing to the eyes is likely	Notifiable disease
Salmonella	Salmonella is a bacterial infection of the intestinal tract. People become infected mostly through contaminated water or food, especially meat, poultry and eggs	Faecal-oral route direct or indirect contact with contaminated surfaces or objects	<p>Client: Contact isolation until diarrhoea ceased..</p> <p>Staff: Must not come to work while symptomatic (e.g. diarrhoea and/or vomiting) and until 48 hours after symptoms have resolved</p>	<p>Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all environmental cleaning.</p> <p><i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the presence of MROs (including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using</i></p>	<p>Gloves, gown and surgical mask when entering apartment.</p> <p>Eye protection if splashing to the eyes is likely</p>	<p>Standard + Contact precautions with strict attention to hand hygiene.</p> <p>Notifiable disease</p>

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<p>Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS)</p>	<p>SARS is a contagious disease that is caused by the SARS Coronavirus and leads to a potentially fatal form of pneumonia</p>	<p>Airborne, Droplet, Contact with infected secretions</p>	<p>Client: Airborne and contact isolation for duration of illness + 10 days after resolution of fever, provided respiratory symptoms are absent or improving.</p> <p>Staff: Exclusion for duration of illness + 10 days after resolution of fever provided respiratory symptoms are absent or improving. Seek advice from doctor.</p>	<p><i>detergent followed by cleaning with a disinfectant (a two step clean)</i></p> <p>Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all environmental cleaning.</p> <p><i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the presence of MROs (including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using detergent followed by cleaning with a disinfectant (a two step clean)</i></p>	<p>Gloves, apron, eye protection and high filtration mask when entering clients home.</p>	<p>Standard + Airborne + Droplet + Contact precautions</p> <p>Liaise with local public health unit for detailed management information</p> <p>Notifiable disease</p>
<p>Scabies</p>	<p>Scabies is a contagious skin condition caused by tiny mites called</p>	<p>Direct contact with skin or contaminated linen and</p>	<p>Client: Contact isolation until 48 hours after effective treatment</p>	<p>Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all</p>	<p>Gloves and long sleeved gowns when entering apartment and</p>	<p>Standard + Contact precautions with strict attention to hand hygiene.</p>

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	<i>Sarcoptes Scabiei.</i>	clothing	Staff: Remain off work until first treatment has been completed	environmental cleaning. <i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the presence of MROs (including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using detergent followed by cleaning with a disinfectant (a two step clean)</i>	when handling clients infected areas or linen	Infectivity ceases within 48 hours of effective treatment Pruritis (itching) may persist for several weeks
Tinea pedis (Athlete's Foot)	Tinea is a condition caused by a class of mould-like fungi that infect the skin. Tinea infections are most common on the feet, particularly between the toes	Direct contact	Client: Isolation not required. Staff: Exclusion not required	Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all environmental cleaning.	Gloves, apron, eye protection when contact with blood or body substances i.e. wound drainage, urine, faeces, vomit	Standard precautions with strict attention to hand hygiene.
Tuberculosis (TB)	TB is an infectious disease that is caused	Airborne contact with	Client: Airborne isolation. If TB disease is	Neutral detergent diluted as per	Gloves, apron, eye protection	Standard + Airborne precautions

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	by a bacterium called <i>Mycobacterium tuberculosis</i> . TB primarily affects the lungs, but it can also affect organs in the central nervous system, lymphatic system and circulatory system.	infected secretions	<p>suspected or is present, client must be notified to TB services and treated. Any active TB must be monitored by TB services</p> <p>Staff: Any staff with pulmonary TB is to be excluded from the workplace until cleared by TB services. If TB disease is suspected or is present, staff must be notified to TB services and treated. Any active TB must be monitored by TB services. Seek advice from TB services or local doctor</p>	<p>manufacturer's instructions for all environmental cleaning.</p> <p><i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the presence of MROs (including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using detergent followed by cleaning with a disinfectant (a two step clean)</i></p>	and high filtration mask when entering clients home.	<p>Liaise with local public health unit and / or TB services for detailed management information</p> <p>Notifiable disease</p>
Vancomycin Resistant Enterococcus (VRE)	VRE are a type of bacteria called enterococci that have developed resistance to many antibiotics, especially	Direct or indirect contact with faeces	Client: Isolation not required if client continent. If client incontinent Contact isolation required.	Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all environmental cleaning.	Gloves, apron, eye protection when contact with blood or body substances i.e. wound	Standard precautions with strict attention to hand hygiene. Contact Precautions may be required in addition to standard precautions if client incontinent

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	vancomycin		Staff: Exclusion required until appropriate antibiotic therapy undertaken. The doctor will advise appropriate antibiotic therapy and advise when staff member can return to work (infection has resolved)	<i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the presence of MROs (including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using detergent followed by cleaning with a disinfectant (a two step clean)</i>	drainage, lesions, broken skin, urine, faeces, vomit	No special precautions are necessary for the handling of eating utensils or crockery. Hot water and detergent used in the dishwasher will effectively decontaminate crockery, cutlery and glass.
Viral Rash – Human Parvovirus B 19 – slapped face	Slapped face disease is a viral infection which commonly affects children and causes bright red cheeks	Direct or indirect contact with nasal secretions	Client: Isolation not required. Staff: Human Parvovirus B19 (Slapped Face) – Does not required exclusion from work, as it is no-infectious once the rash develops	Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer’s instructions for all environmental cleaning. <i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the presence of MROs (including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using</i>	Gloves, apron, eye protection when contact with blood or body substances i.e. wound drainage, lesions, broken skin, urine, faeces, vomit	Standard precautions with strict attention to hand hygiene.

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				<i>detergent followed by cleaning with a disinfectant (a two step clean)</i>		
Viral respiratory tract infection (Common Cold)	A common cold is caused by a virus which affects the upper respiratory tract	Direct or indirect contact body secretions	<p>Client: Isolation not required.</p> <p>Staff: Staff should be excluded from contact with susceptible persons until they are no longer symptomatic. Staff with viral respiratory tract infections should stay at home until they feel well. Seek medical advice from local doctor.</p>	<p>Neutral detergent diluted as per manufacturer's instructions for all environmental cleaning.</p> <p><i>Where gross soiling occurs or in the presence of MROs (including C. difficile) or other infectious agents requiring transmission based precautions physically clean using detergent followed by cleaning with a disinfectant (a two step clean)</i></p>	Gloves, apron, eye protection when contact with blood or body substances i.e. wound drainage, lesions, broken skin, urine, faeces, vomit	Standard precautions with strict attention to hand hygiene.

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