

Wound Drainage in Continuing Care

Does the individual have **drainage** from a wound?

Complete a **Point of Care Risk Assessment (PCRA)** before every contact, even if the individual is on **Additional Precautions** as more personal protective equipment (PPE) may be needed.

Clean your hands before and after PPE use.

Could my hands be exposed to blood and/or body fluids/contaminated items?

YES

WEAR NON-STERILE GLOVES



Could my clothing or skin become soiled from splashes/sprays or contact with items contaminated with blood and/or body fluids?

YES

WEAR GOWN



Could my eyes or face or mucous membranes be splashed or sprayed with blood and/or body fluids?
or
Could I be within 2 meters of coughing or vomiting individual?

YES

WEAR FACIAL PROTECTION (Mask and Eye)



Focus on:

- **PCRA**- encourage everyone to think about contact with individual and choose appropriate personal protective equipment.
- **Hand hygiene** - clean hands, and apply gloves before contact with drainage.
- **Contain drainage** - cover with dressing, monitor dressing, and replace as needed.
- **Clean package** - Individual to wear clean clothing, and clean their hands when leaving their room.
- **Dedicate to individual or clean and disinfect** - all equipment before use on another individual.
- **If having difficulty containing drainage, place on additional precautions and consult your Infection Control Professional.**

Refer to the [Continuing Care Infection Prevention and Control Diseases and Conditions Table](#)

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