

**Table: Summary of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Use and Room Restriction When Caring for Residents in Nursing Homes:**

Accessible version: <https://www.cdc.gov/hai/containment/PPE-Nursing-Homes.html>

Precautions	Applies to	PPE used for these situations	Required PPE	Room restriction
<b>Standard Precautions</b>	All residents	Any potential exposure to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Blood</li> <li>• Body fluids</li> <li>• Mucous membranes</li> <li>• Non-intact skin</li> <li>• Potentially contaminated environmental surfaces or equipment</li> </ul>	Depending on anticipated exposure: gloves, gown, facemask or eye protection (Change PPE before caring for another resident)	None
<b>Enhanced Barrier Precautions</b>	All residents with <i>any of the following</i> : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Infection or colonization with an MDRO <i>when Contact Precautions do not otherwise apply</i></li> <li>• Wounds and/or indwelling medical devices (e.g., central line, urinary catheter, feeding tube, tracheostomy/ventilator) <i>regardless of MDRO colonization status</i></li> </ul>	During high-contact resident care activities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dressing</li> <li>• Bathing/showering</li> <li>• Transferring</li> <li>• Providing hygiene</li> <li>• Changing linens</li> <li>• Changing briefs or assisting with toileting</li> <li>• Device care or use: central line, urinary catheter, feeding tube, tracheostomy/ventilator</li> <li>• Wound care: any skin opening requiring a dressing</li> </ul>	Gloves and gown prior to the high-contact care activity  (Change PPE before caring for another resident) (Face protection may also be needed if performing activity with risk of splash or spray)	None
<b>Contact Precautions</b>	All residents infected or colonized with a MDRO <i>in any of the following situations</i> : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Presence of acute diarrhea, draining wounds or other sites of secretions or excretions that are unable to be covered or contained</li> <li>• For a limited time period, as determined in consultation with public health authorities, on units or in facilities during the investigation of a suspected or confirmed MDRO outbreak</li> <li>• When otherwise directed by public health authorities</li> </ul> All residents who have another infection (e.g., <i>C. difficile</i> , norovirus, scabies) or condition for which Contact Precautions is recommended in Appendix A (Type and Duration of Precautions Recommended for Selected Infections and Conditions) of the CDC Guideline for Isolation Precautions.	Any room entry	Gloves and gown (Don before room entry, doff before room exit; change before caring for another resident) (Face protection may also be needed if performing activity with risk of splash or spray)	Yes, except for medically necessary care