

Infection Control

1. Hand hygiene - Make sure to wash under your nails and cover all surfaces of the hand for at least 20 seconds. Also be mindful of fingernail length (1/4" is long)
2. PPE (Personal Protective Equipment) - Gloves, Mask
3. Respiratory hygiene - Cough etiquette - decrease transmission

Standard Precautions for all Patient Care Transmission:

Based Precautions are used in addition to Standard Precautions for clients/patients with known or suspected infection.

Treat all Clients/patients as if they are infectious!



Medication Safety

1. Make sure to follow directions as ordered.
2. Monitor for side effects.
3. Know allergies. Just because client states no allergies, allergic reactions can start quickly.
4. Make sure client is not pocketing meds.
5. Give plenty of H₂O.
6. Remind client to take meds. Assist as needed but do not administer!
7. Make sure to have proper lighting for visibility.
8. Tell MD about alcohol & drug use.
9. Check with MD before stopping meds. Take required # of days.
10. Don't share.
11. Know interactions and read insert package given by Pharmacy. Pharmacist will consult on any new meds and any questions or concerns.

Medication Safety video:
<https://youtu.be/iQozgr7XnoY>