

Standard precautions

Hand hygiene



to reduce the risk of transmission of microorganisms

Single use equipment and appropriate reprocessing of reusable equipment and instruments



to prevent person to person transmission of microorganisms

Personal protective equipment (PPE)



PPE as appropriate based on a point of care risk assessment (PCRA): to prevent exposure to infectious microorganisms

Practising respiratory hygiene and cough etiquette



reduces the risk of transmission of infectious microorganisms spread by droplets and aerosols

Safe handling and disposal of sharps



assist in preventing transmission of blood borne virus

Aseptic technique



to prevent microorganisms on hands, surfaces or equipment from being introduced into a susceptible site

Environmental controls (cleaning and spills management)



to assist in preventing transmission of microorganisms from the environment to people who use healthcare services and healthcare workers

Appropriate handling and disposal of waste and linen



assists in reducing transmission of microorganisms

