

MULTIDRUG-RESISTANT ORGANISM (MDRO)

ADMISSION CHECKLIST

ADMITTING LTC RESIDENTS WITH NOVEL OR TARGETED MDROs, SUCH AS CANDIDA AURIS

IDENTIFY PRECAUTION TYPE

- Droplet:** The resident has active respiratory symptoms (especially if the MDRO was identified in sputum)
 - Isolate resident in a single room with a private bath
 - Wear a surgical mask, gloves, gown, and eye protection at all times in the resident room
- Contact:** The resident has no respiratory symptoms, but has acute diarrhea or bodily fluids (i.e., wound drainage) unable to be effectively covered/contained
 - Isolate resident in a single room with a private bath
 - Always wear a gown and gloves when in the resident room
- Enhanced barrier (EBP):** None of the above apply and there is no facility outbreak. **EBP** is used to provide more protection in high-risk situations than standard precautions when other types of precautions are not necessary
 - Single room with a private bath is preferred, isolation not required
 - Wear gown and gloves for high-contact resident care activities

COMMUNICATION

- Immediately report any newly identified cases to [Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services](#) (DHSS) and your [Local Public Health Agency](#)
- Utilize [DHSS HAI](#) team for guidance as needed.
- Implement process to communicate isolation status in EMR, 24-hour report, etc.
- Educate resident and family about the need for TBP and expectations
- Communicate infection/colonization status directly to the person responsible for overseeing infection prevention and control at the receiving facility
- Complete an interfacility transfer form upon transfer to another healthcare facility

PREPARE RESIDENT ROOM

- A sign with precaution type and use of proper personal protective equipment (PPE) should be placed on the door
- A PPE cart/table should be set up immediately outside the room
- A trash can to dispose of PPE should be placed directly inside the room by the door
- Establish a process to ensure hand sanitizer, soap dispensers, paper towel dispensers, and PPE carts are stocked

- Use disposable or dedicated patient equipment/supplies whenever possible and store them in the resident room
- Educate staff to immediately disinfect shared equipment after each use before leaving resident room

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

- Use EPA approved products (use List P disinfectants for *C. auris*. If unavailable, may substitute List K disinfectants)
- Adhere to manufacturer dilution and contact time guidelines
- Perform thorough daily cleaning of resident room and any areas where the resident has been
- Educate nursing and EVS staff on who cleans what areas and the correct process and frequency for cleaning/disinfecting
- Label cleaned/disinfected equipment and store away from dirty equipment

FACILITY WIDE PRACTICES

- Increase audits/monitoring for hand hygiene, PPE use, and environmental cleaning
- Assess PPE stock using PPE burn rate calculator as needed to maintain supply
- Verify [enhanced barrier precautions](#) are being followed for all residents who meet one or more criteria, regardless of MDRO colonization status:
 - Wounds or indwelling medical devices, regardless of MDRO colonization status
 - Infection or colonization with an MDRO
- Educate all staff who work in resident areas on *Candida auris* and the need for strict adherence to precautions

SURVEILLANCE/TESTING

- Ensure facility clinicians understand how and where to order [testing](#) if needed
- Promptly test any newly suspected cases

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- *DHSS Case Report Form CD1:* <https://health.mo.gov/living/healthcondiseases/communicable/communicabledisease/cdmanual/pdf/CD-1.pdf>
- *State Public Health Laboratory* <https://health.mo.gov/lab/>
- *Implementation of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Use in Nursing Homes to Prevent Spread of Multidrug-resistant Organisms (MDROs)* <https://www.cdc.gov/hai/containment/PPE-Nursing-Homes.html>
- *Enhanced Barrier Precautions (EBP) Steps* <https://www.cdc.gov/hai/pdfs/containment/EBP-MDROs-Poster-508.pdf>
- *Letter to residents, families, etc. Keeping Residents Safe – Use of Enhanced Barrier Precautions* <https://www.cdc.gov/hai/pdfs/containment/Letter-Nursing-Home-Residents-Families-Friends-508.pdf>
- *Candida auris* <https://www.cdc.gov/fungal/candida-auris/pdf/C-Auris-Infection-Factsheet-H.pdf>
- *Toolkit for Acute Care, Long-term Acute Care, Skilled Nursing, Ambulatory Care, Community-Based, and Homecare Settings* <https://www.mass.gov/doc/mdph-mdro-toolkit-0/download>
- *Inter-Facility Infection Control Transfer Form for States Establishing HAI Prevention Collaboratives* <https://www.cdc.gov/hai/pdfs/toolkits/Interfacility-IC-Transfer-Form-508.pdf>
- *CMS Enhanced Barrier Precautions in Nursing Homes QSO* <https://www.cms.gov/files/document/gso-24-08-nh.pdf>