

# Multidrug-resistant organism (MDRO) admission checklist

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Admitting LTC residents with novel or targeted MDROs, such as *Candida auris*

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## 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
  - Wear a gown and gloves **at all times** in the resident room\*
- Enhanced barrier:** None of the above apply and there is no facility outbreak
  - Single room with a private bath is preferred, **isolation not required**
  - Wear gown and gloves for **high contact resident care activities\***

## 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
- Ensure hand sanitizer, soap dispensers, paper towel dispensers, and PPE carts are kept well-stocked
- Use disposable or dedicated patient equipment/supplies whenever possible and store them in the resident room
- Immediately disinfect any shared equipment after each use

## 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

- Ensure all staff understand which equipment they are responsible for cleaning, how to do it correctly, and the expected frequency
- 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:
  - Has a current open wound, including any break in the skin
  - Has an indwelling medical device (catheters, trach, feeding tube, etc.)
- 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

### Communication

- Immediately report any newly identified cases to [hai@utah.gov](mailto:hai@utah.gov) and your local health department
- 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

\*Masks must also be worn when indicated based on COVID-19 community transmission levels.