

# Visitor Information About Airborne Precautions

## What are Airborne Precautions?

Airborne precautions are used when a patient has a particular germ that we must prevent from spreading in the hospital. These germs can be spread by tiny droplets in the air from the patient's mouth or nose by coughing or sneezing. The germs stay in the air and then someone can inhale them.

An Airborne precaution sign is placed outside the room to inform staff, family and visitors of what they must do before they enter the room.

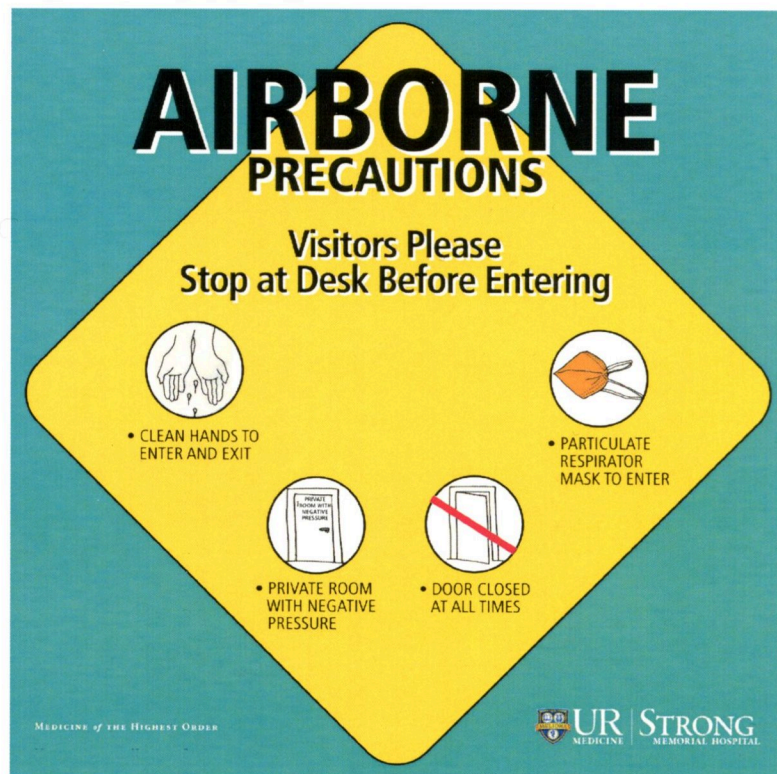
We all need to work together to protect our vulnerable patients. Thank you for your help.

## When Airborne precautions are in place staff will:

- Clean hands before and after patient contact.
- Keep the patient in a private room.
- Wear a mask to enter the room.
- Remove the mask and discard carefully in the trash upon leaving the room.

## What does this mean for Visitors?

- Always clean your hands before entering and when exiting the room.
- Apply a mask which is available outside the room before entering.
- Remove the mask when leaving the room.
- Clean your hands before leaving the area.



*If you notice anyone not following these precautions, speak up!  
All assistance to help keep patients safe is welcome!*

Contact Infection Prevention at 585-275-7716 with any questions or concerns.