Visitor Information About Droplet Precautions

What are Droplet Precautions?
Droplet 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 people coughing, sneezing, or touching items in their room.

A Droplet 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 Droplet precautions are in place staff will:
• Clean hands before and after patient contact.
• Wear a mask before entering the patient’s room.
• Remove mask and discard in the trash when leaving the room.
• Be sure to clean your hand after removing the mask.

What does this mean for Visitors?
• Always clean your hands before entering and when exiting the room.
• Wear a mask while in the room visiting the patient.
• Remove the mask when leaving the room.

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.