

NHS GREATER GLASGOW & CLYDE CONTROL OF INFECTION COMMITTEE IPCT AIDE MEMOIRE

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METHICILLIN RESISTANT STAPHYLOCOCCUS AUREUS (MRSA)

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MRSA Aide Memoire

Consult SOP and Isolate in a single room with:

- ✓ ensuite / own commode
- √ door closed
- ✓ IPC yellow sign on door
- ✓ dedicated equipment
- ✓ <u>Care Checklist</u> completed daily

Patient
Assessed
Daily
NO

Has patient had two full, consecutive negative MRSA screens, taken 72 hours apart, following decolonisation therapy?

NB. No screening to take place while patient on treatment and should be taken at least 48 hours following completion of decolonisation therapy.



- ✓ Stop isolation
- ✓ undertake terminal clean of room

SOP - Guidelines for patients in isolation:

<u>Hand Hygiene:</u> Liquid Soap and Water or alcohol based hand rub

PPE: Yellow apron when in contact with a patients environment/equipment. Disposable gloves must be worn when exposure to blood and body fluids and non intact skin is anticipated or likely.

<u>Patient Environment:</u> Twice daily chlorine clean

<u>Patient Equipment:</u> Chlorine clean immediately after each use and twice daily

Linen: Treat as infectious

<u>Waste:</u> Dispose of as Clinical / Healthcare waste

Incubation Period: variable

Period of Communicability: As long as MRSA can be isolated from the patient's specimens and until two consecutive negative screens have been obtained

Notifiable disease: No

<u>Transmission route:</u> direct, indirect

contact