ENTERIC CONTACT PRECAUTIONS
(In addition to Standard Precautions)

- **Visitors** must wear gown and gloves when inside room

- Gown and gloves for everyone entering room
  - Remove and discard before leaving room

- Wash hands with soap and water (NOT alcohol based hand gel) when entering and leaving room

- Use disposable or dedicated equipment
  - (no electronic thermometer)
  - Clean and disinfect equipment with Dispatch™ wipes before removing from room

- When Precautions are discontinued, leave sign posted until room is cleaned
  - Use Dispatch™ for cleaning
Common Conditions Requiring Enteric Contact Precautions:

See CCHC Intranet, Infection Control Section for “Type and Duration of Precautions Needed for Selected Infections and Conditions” for complete list.

- C. difficile infection
- Norovirus
- New onset of diarrhea (\( \geq 3 \) episodes within a 24-hour period)

Please Note:
- Single room preferred; contact Infection Control if single room is unavailable
- Privacy curtains are to be changed by Environmental Services when Precautions are discontinued

When Precautions are Discontinued:

CCH
- Isolation cart is cleaned by Environmental Services and labeled as clean.
- Environmental Services calls Materials Management to pick up cart for re-stocking.

FH
- Isolation cart is cleaned by Housekeeping.
- Nursing will re-stock the cleaned cart and take it to the 2nd floor storage area. Closure tie must be attached through all drawers on outside of cart.

JML
- Nursing takes cart to Dirty Utility Room.
- Environmental Services cleans and re-stocks the cart and takes it to the Clean Utility Room.