

Key Principles of Infection Prevention and Control

Use the helpful acronym STAGS to help you remember the key principles of infection prevention and control.

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Standard Infection Prevention Control Precautions

Always adhere to the standard precautions to minimise the risk of transmission.

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Transmission Based Precautions

Implement appropriate measures based on how an infection is transmitted, whether through contact, droplet or airborne routes.

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Always access appropriate medical care and intervention

Ensure timely and suitable medical care and intervention for infection management.

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Guidance should be up to date and followed

Regularly check for and adhere to the latest guidance and protocols.

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Seek support from your local IPC team if required

Don't hesitate to reach out to your local Infection Prevention and Control team or other relevant agencies for assistance and support.

By remembering STAGS you can effectively contribute to infection prevention and control in your healthcare setting.