

Managing Infectious Diseases

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QUALIFICATIONS	SPECIFIC TRAINING	REFERENCES
Knowledge & understanding of this work instruction.	Staff training Days- awareness training	Westmont Infection Control Manual Department of Health and Ageing

Gastroenteritis – prior to entering or upon entering the clients home

TASK	METHOD	HAZARD	CONTROL MEASURES
Gastroenteritis suspected	Ask the client to describe their symptoms, the on-set date/time of the symptoms.	Contamination	Infection control
Identify the risk to the carer	Determine whether the Standard Precautions as outlined in Westmont’s Infection Control Manual will eliminate the transfer of infection to the carer.		
Notify	Notify the Schedulers immediately and provide details of the signs and symptoms. Seek further instructions on whether to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide the service following Standard Precautions and wearing all PPE • Go home and change uniform prior to going to the next client • Cease the service 		
Risk assessment	Schedulers liaise with the Community Care Manager or Community Care Coordinator. Risk assessment conducted based on the type of service provided. Decision made to provide or cease the service.		
Inform the client	Recommend the client inform their visitors of their condition. Recommend the client limit their group activities and stay at home until they are better. Encourage the client to seek medical help if they continue to be unwell. Explain that services cannot resume until the signs and symptoms have not recurred for at least 72 hours.		
Provide the service	Provide the service if instructed. Put on PPE in order – over shoes, gown, mask and gloves. Take off PPE in order – over shoes, gloves (WASH HANDS), gown and mask (Grasp bottom, then top ties or elastics and remove (DO NOT TOUCH FRONT OF MASK IT MAY BE CONTAMINATED). Dispose of PPE appropriately. Wash your hands after contact with the client.	Contamination	Infection control
Cease the service	Cease the service if instructed. Wash your hands after contact with the client.	Contamination	Infection control

Influenza – prior to entering or upon entering the clients home

TASK	METHOD	HAZARD	CONTROL MEASURES
Influenza suspected	Ask the client to describe their symptoms, the on-set date/time of the symptoms.	Contamination	Infection control
Identify the risk to the carer	Determine whether the Standard Precautions as outlined in Westmont's Infection Control Manual will eliminate the transfer of infection to the carer.		
Notify	<p>Notify the Schedulers immediately and provide details of the signs and symptoms. Seek further instructions on whether to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide the service following Standard Precautions and wearing all PPE • Go home and change uniform prior to going to the next client • Cease the service 		
Risk assessment	<p>Schedulers liaise with the Community Care Manager or Community Care Coordinator.</p> <p>Risk assessment conducted based on the type of service provided.</p> <p>Decision made to provide or cease the service.</p>		
Inform the client	<p>Recommend the client inform their visitors of their condition.</p> <p>Recommend the client limit their group activities and stay at home until they are better.</p> <p>Encourage the client to seek medical help if they continue to be unwell.</p> <p>Explain that services cannot resume until the signs and symptoms have not recurred for at least 72 hours.</p>		
Provide the service	<p>Provide the service if instructed.</p> <p>Put on PPE in order – over shoes, gown, mask and gloves.</p> <p>Take off PPE in order – over shoes, gloves (WASH HANDS), gown and mask (Grasp bottom, then top ties or elastics and remove (DO NOT TOUCH FRONT OF MASK IT MAY BE CONTAMINATED). Dispose of PPE appropriately.</p> <p>Wash your hands after contact with the client.</p>	Contamination	Infection control
Cease service	<p>Cease the service if instructed.</p> <p>Wash your hands after contact with the client.</p>	Contamination	Infection control