#### PRIVATE ROOM WITH NEGATIVE AIR PRESSURE REQUIRED

Specific illnesses requiring **Airborne Precautions** include:

- TUBERCULOSIS
- MEASLES
- VARICELLA (Chicken Pox) Use Contact Precautions also

Airborne transmission occurs by dissemination of either airborne droplet nuclei (< 5 microns) or dust particles containing the infectious agent. Microorganisms carried in this manner can be widely dispersed by air currents and may become inhaled by or deposited on a susceptible host.

#### **PATIENTS:**

- Patient to remain in room except for essential purposes.
- Patients wear blue earloop mask for transport (never N-95 masks!)

#### **STAFF:**

- Promptly initiate Airborne precautions for patients known or suspected to have infectious tuberculosis (see P&P 9430.017)
- Door of room to be kept closed to maintain negative airflow.
- Negative pressure ventilation (use designated isolation room).
- N-95 respirator masks or PAPR to be worn by all persons entering room.

#### **VISITORS:**

• Immediate family/household members may not need to wear respirators as they have been previously exposed.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL CLEANING:**

- Door of room to be kept closed for ONE HOUR after patient discharge. Room is then cleaned using routine discharge cleaning protocol.
- No mask or special PPE required AFTER ONE HOUR.

Do not remove isolation sign until room cleaned.

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## **Airborne Isolation**

### Anyone \* entering this room MUST:



1. Perform **hand hygiene** (use soap and water or foam)



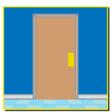
Put on N-95 mask or PAPR before entering room



3. Remove **N-95 mask** or **PAPR** after leaving room in ante room



4. Perform **hand hygiene** (use soap and water or foam)



# Door must be kept closed at all times

\* Patient visitors, see nurse before entering

Questions? Call Infection Control at 796-8413

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