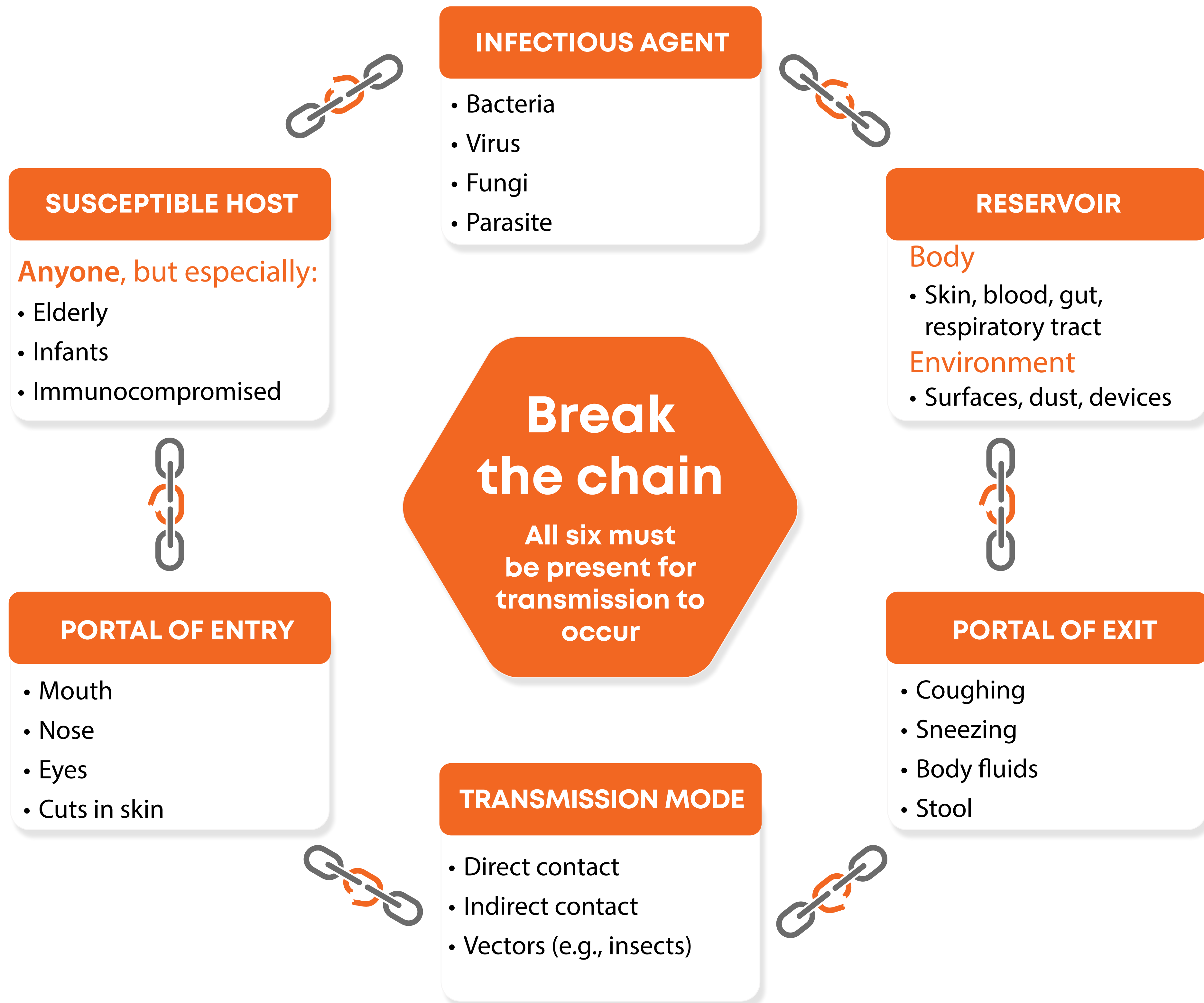


Cleaning & Disinfecting

Keep the healthcare environment safe by stopping the spread of infection



CLEANING

Removing germs and visible matter from a surface
You **can** clean without disinfecting

Use clean tools

- Don't use dirty tools
- Wear and discard PPE as necessary

Choose the right product

- Soaps, sanitizers, disinfectants provide different levels of safety
- Check labels and refer to facility protocols

DISINFECTING

Killing and removing germs from a surface
You **cannot** disinfect without cleaning first

Identify areas

- Multi-use medical equipment
- Devices
- High traffic areas
- Surfaces frequently touched

Follow label directions

- Read hazard & safety warnings
- Follow contact time instructions
- Use the right product for the right surface and germ (if known)