

Influenza Foundations

Keep patients and other healthcare workers (HCWs) safe; stay home if you have flu symptoms.

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FLU IN HEALTHCARE

12-26 million flu-related medical visits occurred in the U.S. '22-23 flu season*

FLU & AEROSOL-GENERATING PROCEDURES (AGP)



AGPs can make tiny flu aerosols. Take extra steps for patient and HCW safety.



Only perform AGP on patients with flu if medically necessary and it cannot safely be postponed*.



Add airborne precautions during and just after AGP to protect against tiny aerosols.



Scan the QR code for AGP resources

Consider the use of portable HEPA filtration units to further reduce the concentration of contaminants in the air*.



EMERGENCY AGP

Emergency AGPs can be life-saving like CPR, open suctioning of airways, emergency intubation, etc.



Add airborne precautions before emergency AGPs, when time and patient condition allows.

CARING FOR PATIENTS WITH FLU



Use private room or area if available



Encourage patients to cover cough, wash hands, & if possible, mask



Use droplet & standard precautions

- Add airborne precautions for AGP



Dispose of used PPE and perform hand hygiene



Clean room after AGP to reduce amount of flu particles on surfaces



* References www.vdh.virginia.gov/haiair/education-training/