



Say No to Infection Action Card

For: Meticillin Resistant *Staphylococcus Aureus* (MRSA)

Name of resident/client: _____

Room/Floor: _____

IMMEDIATE ACTIONS	Date & Signature as applicable						
Hand washing facilities are available including a supply of liquid soap & paper towels for staff to wash hands before and after contact with the resident or their environment.							
Supplies of PPE (Gloves & Apron are available for staff use when in contact with the resident. Hands must be cleaned after removing and disposing of PPE.							
A record of the resident's MRSA status must be communicated to other healthcare providers on a need to know basis e.g., at the point of planned or emergency admission to hospital settings.							
Treat linen from this resident as infected and therefore must be placed in a red alginate bag and laundered away from other residents' laundry.							
As with all residents – equipment used/shared by the resident is cleaned as per local guidance and in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations.							
The resident should NOT be prevented from participating in any group activities or from sitting in shared areas e.g., dining areas, communal lounges, or toilets.							
Crockery/cutlery should be dealt within the normal manner; no special precautions are required.							
Ensure any wounds are dressed before they join other residents in communal areas.							
Do not allow residents to share another bedroom with a resident who has open sores/wounds or on a drip or has a catheter.							
Only carry out any clinical procedures or apply dressings in the resident's room.							

<p>If the resident is prescribed decolonisation treatment it must be supplied as directed by GP or hospital consultant.</p>							
<p>If the resident has an active MRSA infection, they should be isolated/have contact 'Transmission based precautions' (TBPs) in place until they are symptom free (usually after a course of antibiotics).</p>							