

# Chasing Zero

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Infection Prevention

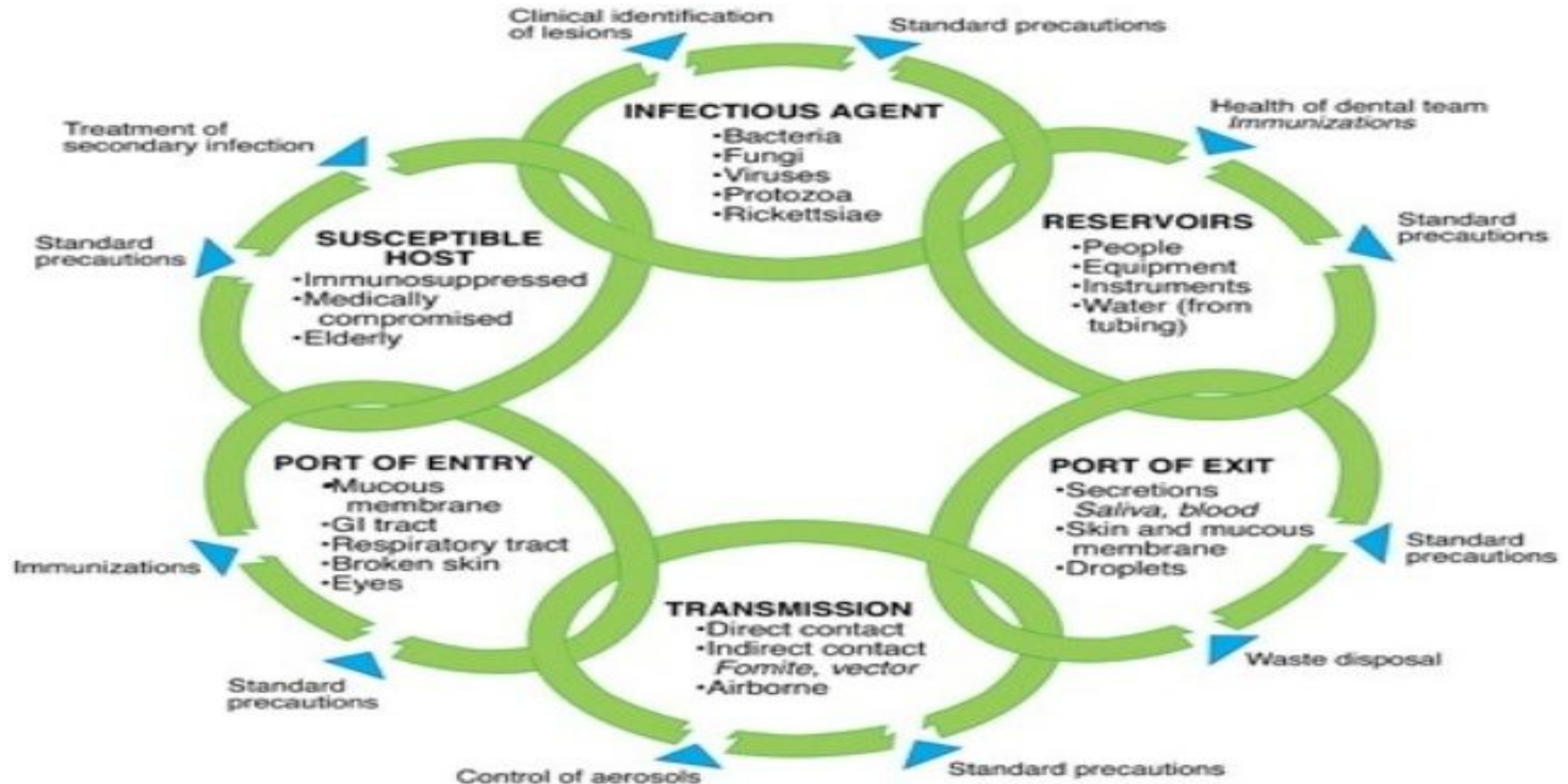


# National Patient Safety Goals (NPSG) #7

## The Joint Commission Infection Prevention & Control

- **Hand Hygiene** Guidelines (Compliance)
- **Preventing Multi-Drug Resistant organisms (MDROs)** e.g., MRSA, CRE, *C.difficile*
- **Preventing** Central Line Associated Bloodstream infections (**CLABSI**)
- **Preventing** Catheter Associated Urinary Tract Infection (**CAUTI**)
- **Prevention** of Surgical Site Infections (**SSI**)

# Chain of Infection



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**What is the best way to prevent the spread of infection?**

# Hand Hygiene



Wash thoroughly for  
15-20 seconds.

**Hand Hygiene can mean washing your hands with soap and water or with an alcohol based -hand rub (ABHR).**

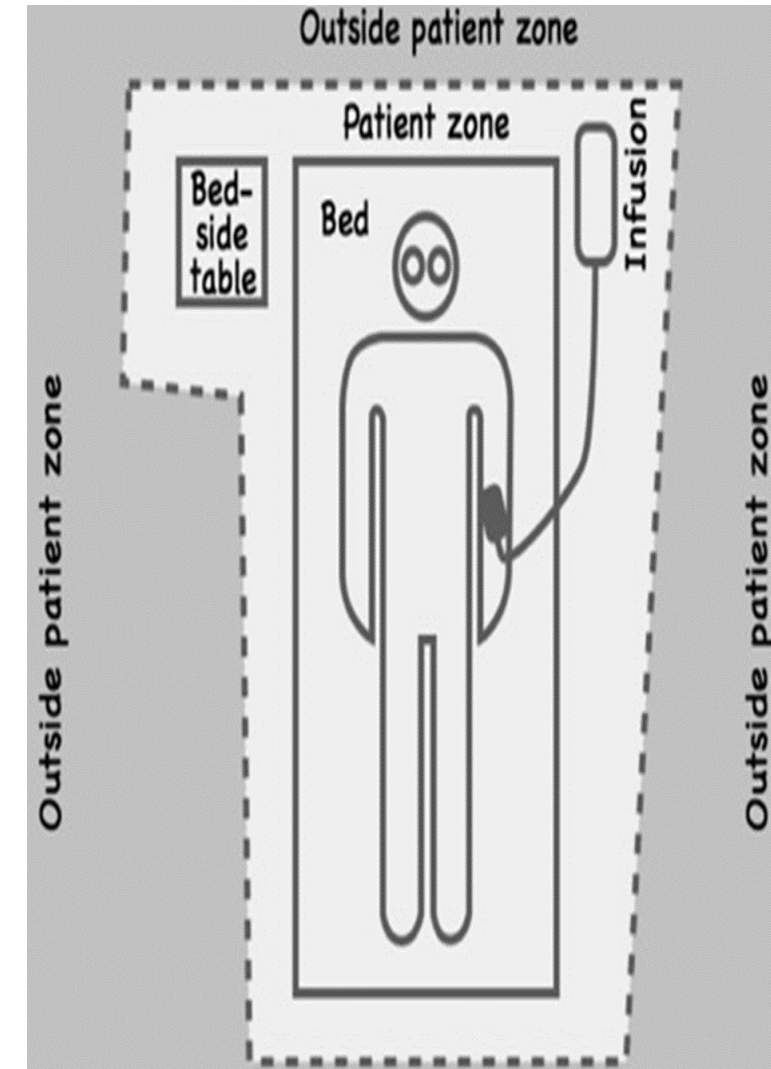


Once hands are dry they are  
considered to be clean.

# Indications for Hand Hygiene



- ✓ Before and after Contact with each patient.
- ✓ After contact with blood, bodily fluids, mucous membranes, secretions, excretions, and non-intact skin even if gloves are worn.
- ✓ After Contact with an inanimate object that is potentially contaminated.
- ✓ When moving from a contaminated body-site to a clean body site during patient care.
- ✓ Before handling food or eating.
- ✓ After using the bathroom, eating, coughing or sneezing.
- ✓ Before donning gloves and after removing them.
- ✓ Before administering medication.
- ✓ Before performing an invasive procedure such as inserting a central venous catheter, urinary catheter, peripheral vascular catheter, or other invasive devices.
- ✓ When hands are visibly soiled .



# Northwell Hand Hygiene Policy

No artificial nails, extenders, gels, shellacs or tips- they harbor bacteria & fungi



Natural nail length should be ¼ inch or shorter



Wear only 1 ring per hand, avoid those excessive grooves or facets- no bracelets unless medical alert



## Phelps Hospital Monthly Hand Hygiene Compliance

