

Example of a Hand Hygiene Monitoring Tool

Modify as appropriate according to facility requirements, policies, or improvement needs.

| Name or position of person being observed | Position | | | Unit | Before contact with resident | After contact with resident | After contact with contaminated environment / equipment | Hand hygiene compliant |
|---|----------|--------------|----------|------|--|--|--|--|
| | 1. Nurse | 2. Physician | 3. Other | | Appropriate hand hygiene used | Appropriate hand hygiene used | | |
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| Comments: | | | | | | | | |

Hand Hygiene Criteria

Hand hygiene compliance is determined as the appropriate use of the following:

Before each patient contact/encounter:

- Handwashing with alcohol hand gel, or with soap and water if hands are visibly soiled
- Use of gloves as appropriate

After each patient contact/encounter:

- Handwashing with alcohol hand gel, or with soap and water if hands are visibly soiled
- If gloves were used, hand hygiene after removal of gloves

After contact with contaminated equipment or environment:

- Handwashing with alcohol hand gel, or soap and water if hands are visibly soiled
- If gloves were used, hand hygiene after removal of gloves