Example of a Hand Hygiene Monitoring Tool

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

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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