

Carbapenemase-Producing Organisms (CPO) Guidelines for Known CPO Patient in the Outpatient Setting

1. Book appointment for the end of the day, if possible.
2. If patient is unable to attend at the end of the day, the room must not be used for another patient until it is cleaned and disinfected.
3. The clerk will ask the patient if he/she has a cough and if “yes” will give the patient a surgical mask.
4. The clerk will inform the RN that the patient is CPO positive.
5. The patient will be placed in a single room on Contact Precautions (and Droplet Precautions if coughing) as soon as possible.
6. All staff entering the room must wear isolation gown and gloves (and surgical mask with face shield/eye protection if the patient is coughing).
7. All equipment used must be cleaned and disinfected using accelerated hydrogen peroxide wipes by person responsible (i.e. RN, EVS).
8. Computer screen and/or monitor display in the room must be cleaned and disinfected using alcohol wipes by person responsible (i.e. RN, technician).
9. **Hand Hygiene must be done by staff every time they enter and leave the patient’s room.**