

Recommendations for Providing Safe Dialysis Care for Patients with *Candida auris* (*C. auris*)

The following is interim guidance for patients with *C. auris* who require dialysis care. In addition to following Standard Precautions and infection control practices routinely recommended for the care of all hemodialysis patients, facilities and healthcare personnel at dialysis centers should do the following:

Inform and educate

appropriate personnel about the presence of a patient with *C. auris* and the need for specific infection control measures.

As in other settings, use alcohol-based hand sanitizer as the preferred method for cleaning hands when they are not visibly soiled. If hands are visibly soiled, wash with soap and water. Wearing gloves is not a substitute for hand hygiene.



Wear gowns and gloves

using proper donning and doffing techniques when caring for patients with *C. auris* or touching items at the dialysis station. Remove gowns and gloves, dispose of them carefully, and perform hand hygiene when leaving the patient's station.

Minimize exposure to other patients

by dialyzing the patient at a station with as few adjacent stations as possible (e.g., at the end or corner of the unit), and consider dialyzing the patient on the last shift of the day. Thoroughly clean and disinfect the dialysis station (e.g., chairs, side tables, machines) between patients by using products approved for use against *C. auris*.

Properly **clean and disinfect** reusable equipment brought to the dialysis station after each use.



If the patient is transferred to another healthcare facility, inform the receiving facility of the patient's *C. auris* status. The MDRO Transfer sheet can be accessed by scanning the code to the right or visiting https://www.nj.gov/health/cd/documents/topics/hai/NJDOH_Novel_MDRO_Transfer_Sheet.pdf.

