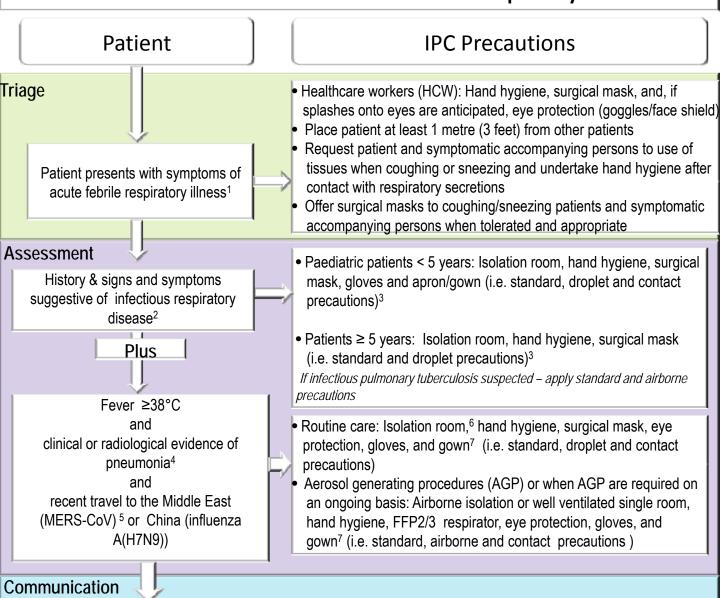




Infection prevention and control (IPC) precautions for patients suspected or known to be infected with an acute infectious respiratory disease



Inform:

- Patient of the requirement for isolation precautions/visitor restrictions
- IPC team/ID physicians and local Public Health Department of suspected/confirmed notifiable infectious diseases including MERS-CoV and influenza A(H7N9)
- Other departments/facilities/ambulance control if internal or external transfer planned
- Laboratory prior to dispatch of samples
- Symptoms include fever, cough, and often sore throat, coryza, sneezing, shortness of breadth, wheezing, or difficulty breathing
- 2: Infectious respiratory diseases include seasonal influenza, respiratory syncytial and parainfluenza virus
- 3: Additional precautions for aerosol generating procedures are recommended for suspected /confirmed influenza cases
- 4: Clinicians should be alert to the possibility of atypical presentations in patients who are immunocompromised
- 5: MERS-CoV: Middle East Respiratory Syndrome: Bahrain, Iraq, Israel, Jordan, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Lebanon, Occupied Palestinian territories, Oman, Qatar, Syria, UAE and Yemen
- 6: Single room with en-suite and ante room
- 7: A long sleeved fluid repellent gown