# Airborne Precautions

(In addition to Standard Precautions)

Add Contact Precautions for Varicella or disseminated Herpes Zoster.

**Negative pressure ventilation required:** Nursing staff contact Maintenance dept. to verify negative airflow prior to patient admission.

## Staff and Physicians

| Mask | Always – **Respirator Required**  
- Wear N-95 if fit tested, PAPR if not fit tested  
- Perform N-95 fit-check |
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<td>Disinfect with disinfectant wipes between patients</td>
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| Transport | For essential purposes only  
**Patient:** Snug fitting surgical mask  
**Staff:** No barriers if patient masked. Respirator if patient cannot mask. |

## Visitors, Staff and Physicians

**Visitors: Check with Nursing for Mask Instructions.**

When you enter and each time you leave the room, either: Use waterless foam

1. Apply foam. Spread thoroughly over hands.  
2. Rub until dry.  

Or Wash Hands.

1. Apply soap to wet hands. Wash 15-20 seconds. Rinse completely.  
2. Dry hands with paper towel. Use a towel to turn off water.