

Infection Control Risk Assessment (ICRA)

Matrix of Precautions for Construction & Renovation

Step 1:

Using the following table, *identify* the **Type of Construction Project Activity (Type A-D)**

TYPE A	<p>Inspection and Non-Invasive Activities. Includes, but is not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> removal of ceiling tiles for visual inspection only, e.g., limited to 1 tile per 50 square feet <input type="checkbox"/> painting (but not sanding) <input type="checkbox"/> wallcovering, electrical trim work, minor plumbing, and activities which do not generate dust or require cutting of walls or access to ceilings other than for visual inspection.
TYPE B	<p>Small scale, short duration activities which create minimal dust Includes, but is not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> installation of telephone and computer cabling <input type="checkbox"/> access to chase spaces <input type="checkbox"/> cutting of walls or ceiling where dust migration can be controlled.
TYPE C	<p>Work that generates a moderate to high level of dust or requires demolition or removal of any fixed building components or assemblies Includes, but is not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> sanding of walls for painting or wall covering <input type="checkbox"/> removal of floorcoverings, ceiling tiles and casework <input type="checkbox"/> new wall construction <input type="checkbox"/> minor duct work or electrical work above ceilings <input type="checkbox"/> major cabling activities <input type="checkbox"/> any activity which cannot be completed within a single workshift.
TYPE D	<p>Major demolition and construction projects Includes, but is not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> activities which require consecutive work shifts <input type="checkbox"/> requires heavy demolition or removal of a complete cabling system <input type="checkbox"/> new construction.

Step 1: _____

Step 2:

Using the following table, *identify the Patient Risk Groups* that will be affected.
If more than one risk group will be affected, select the higher risk group:

Low Risk	Medium Risk	High Risk	Highest Risk
<input type="checkbox"/> Office areas	<input type="checkbox"/> Cardiology <input type="checkbox"/> Echocardiography <input type="checkbox"/> Endoscopy <input type="checkbox"/> Nuclear Medicine <input type="checkbox"/> Physical Therapy <input type="checkbox"/> Radiology/MRI <input type="checkbox"/> Respiratory Therapy	<input type="checkbox"/> CCU <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Room <input type="checkbox"/> Labor & Delivery <input type="checkbox"/> Laboratories (specimen) <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Units <input type="checkbox"/> Newborn Nursery <input type="checkbox"/> Outpatient Surgery <input type="checkbox"/> Pediatrics <input type="checkbox"/> Pharmacy <input type="checkbox"/> Post Anesthesia Care Unit <input type="checkbox"/> Surgical Units	<input type="checkbox"/> Any area caring for immunocompromised patients <input type="checkbox"/> Burn Unit <input type="checkbox"/> Cardiac Cath Lab <input type="checkbox"/> Central Sterile Supply <input type="checkbox"/> Intensive Care Units <input type="checkbox"/> Negative pressure isolation rooms <input type="checkbox"/> Oncology <input type="checkbox"/> Operating rooms including C-section rooms

Step 2

Step 3:

- Using the Grid (Matrix) below,
- Go down the left column to the Patient Risk Group found in Step 2, then
 - Move to the right to the Construction Project Type found in Step 1
 - Circle the intersection. This is the required Class of Precautions (I-IV), which are further described on the next page.

IC Matrix - Class of Precautions: Construction Project by Patient Risk

Construction Project Type (From Step 1)

Patient Risk Group

(From Step 2)

	TYPE A	TYPE B	TYPE C	TYPE D
LOW Risk Group	I	II	II	III/IV
MEDIUM Risk Group	I	II	III	IV
HIGH Risk Group	I	II	III/IV	IV
HIGHEST Risk Group	II	III/IV	III/IV	IV

Note: Infection Control approval will be required when the Construction Activity and Risk Level indicate that **Class III** or **Class IV** control procedures are necessary.

Step 3

Description of Required Infection Control Precautions by Class

	During Construction Project	Upon Completion of Project
CLASS I	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Execute work by methods to minimize raising dust from construction operations. 2. Immediately replace a ceiling tile displaced for visual inspection 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Clean work area upon completion of task.
CLASS II	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Provide active means to prevent airborne dust from dispersing into atmosphere. 2. Water mist work surfaces to control dust while cutting. 3. Seal unused doors with duct tape. 4. Block off and seal air vents. 5. Place dust mat at entrance and exit of work area 6. Remove or isolate HVAC system in areas where work is being performed. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Wipe work surfaces with cleaner/disinfectant. 2. Contain construction waste before transport in tightly covered containers. 3. Wet mop and/or vacuum with HEPA filtered vacuum before leaving work area. 4. Upon completion, restore HVAC system where work was performed.
CLASS III	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Remove or Isolate HVAC system in area where work is being done to prevent contamination of duct system. 2. Complete all critical barriers i.e. sheetrock, plywood, plastic, to seal area from non work area or implement control cube method (cart with plastic covering and sealed connection to work site with HEPA vacuum for vacuuming prior to exit) before construction begins. 3. Maintain negative air pressure within work site utilizing HEPA equipped air filtration units. 4. Contain construction waste before transport in tightly covered containers. 5. Cover transport receptacles or carts. Tape covering unless solid lid. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Do not remove barriers from work area until completed project is inspected by the owner's Safety Department and Infection Prevention & Control Department and thoroughly cleaned by the owner's Environmental Services Department. 2. Remove barrier materials carefully to minimize spreading of dirt and debris associated with construction. 3. Vacuum work area with HEPA filtered vacuums. 4. Wet mop area with cleaner/disinfectant. 5. Upon completion, restore HVAC system where work was performed.
CLASS IV	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Isolate HVAC system in area where work is being done to prevent contamination of duct system. 2. Complete all critical barriers i.e. sheetrock, plywood, plastic, to seal area from non work area or implement control cube method (cart with plastic covering and sealed connection to work site with HEPA vacuum for vacuuming prior to exit) before construction begins. 3. Maintain negative air pressure within work site utilizing HEPA equipped air filtration units. 4. Seal holes, pipes, conduits, and punctures. 5. Construct anteroom and require all personnel to pass through this room so they can be vacuumed using a HEPA vacuum cleaner before leaving work site or they can wear cloth or paper coveralls that are removed each time they leave work site. 6. All personnel entering work site are required to wear shoe covers. Shoe covers must be changed each time the worker exits the work area. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Do not remove barriers from work area until completed project is inspected by the owner's Safety Department and Infection Prevention & Control Department and thoroughly cleaned by the owner's Environmental Services Dept. 2. Remove barrier material carefully to minimize spreading of dirt and debris associated with construction. 3. Contain construction waste before transport in tightly covered containers. 4. Cover transport receptacles or carts. Tape covering unless solid lid. 5. Vacuum work area with HEPA filtered vacuums. 6. Wet mop area with cleaner/disinfectant. 7. Upon completion, restore HVAC system where work was performed.

Step 4. Identify the areas surrounding the project area, assessing potential impact (use dept list in step 2 to determine the risk group of each)

Unit Below	Unit Above	Lateral	Lateral	Behind	Front
Risk Group	Risk Group	Risk Group	Risk Group	Risk Group	Risk Group

Step 5. Identify specific site of activity e.g., patient rooms, medication room, etc.

Step 6. Identify issues related to: ventilation, plumbing, electrical in terms of the occurrence of probable outages.

Step 7. Identify containment measures, using prior assessment. What types of barriers? (E.g., solids wall barriers); Will HEPA filtration be required?

(Note: Renovation/construction area shall be isolated from the occupied areas during construction and shall be negative with respect to surrounding areas)

Step 8. Consider potential risk of water damage. Is there a risk due to compromising structural integrity? (e.g., wall, ceiling, roof)

Step 9. Work hours: Can/will the work be done during non-patient care hours?

Step 10. Do plans allow for adequate # of isolation/negative airflow rooms?

Step 11. Do the plans allow for the required # & type of handwashing sinks?

Step 12. Does the infection prevention & control staff agree with the minimum number of sinks for this project? (Verify against FGI Design and Construction Guidelines for types and area)

Step 13. Does the infection prevention & control staff agree with the plans relative to clean and soiled utility rooms?

Step 14. Plan to discuss the following containment issues with the project team.
E.g., traffic flow, housekeeping, debris removal (how and when),

The ICRA may be modified throughout the project. Revisions must be communicated to the Project Manager.

Infection Control Construction Permit						
					Permit No:	
Location of Construction:				Project Start Date:		
Project Coordinator:				Estimated Duration:		
Contractor Performing Work				Permit Expiration Date:		
Supervisor:				Telephone:		
YES	NO	CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY		YES	NO	INFECTION CONTROL RISK GROUP
		TYPE A: Inspection, non-invasive activity				GROUP 1: Low Risk
		TYPE B: Small scale, short duration, moderate to high levels				GROUP 2: Medium Risk
		TYPE C: Activity generates moderate to high levels of dust, requires greater 1 work shift for completion				GROUP 3: Medium/High Risk
		TYPE D: Major duration and construction activities Requiring consecutive work shifts				GROUP 4: Highest Risk
CLASS I		1. Execute work by methods to minimize raising dust from construction operations. 2. Immediately replace any ceiling tile displaced for visual inspection.		3. Minor Demolition for Remodeling		
CLASS II		1. Provides active means to prevent air-borne dust from dispersing into atmosphere 2. Water mist work surfaces to control dust while cutting. 3. Seal unused doors with duct tape. 4. Block off and seal air vents. 5. Wipe surfaces with cleaner/disinfectant.		6. Contain construction waste before transport in tightly covered containers. 7. Wet mop and/or vacuum with HEPA filtered vacuum before leaving work area. 8. Place dust mat at entrance and exit of work area. 9. Isolate HVAC system in areas where work is being performed; restore when work completed.		
CLASS III		1. Obtain infection control permit before construction begins. 2. Isolate HVAC system in area where work is being done to prevent contamination of the duct system. 3. Complete all critical barriers or implement control cube method before construction begins.		6. Vacuum work with HEPA filtered vacuums. 7. Wet mop with cleaner/disinfectant 8. Remove barrier materials carefully to minimize spreading of dirt and debris associated with construction. 9. Contain construction waste before transport in tightly covered containers.		
		4. Maintain negative air pressure within work site utilizing HEPA equipped air filtration units.		10. Cover transport receptacles or carts. Tape covering.		
		5. Do not remove barriers from work area until complete project is checked by Infection Prevention & Control and thoroughly cleaned by Environmental Services.		11. Upon completion, restore HVAC system where work was performed.		
CLASS IV		1. Obtain infection control permit before construction begins. 2. Isolate HVAC system in area where work is being done to prevent contamination of duct system. 3. Complete all critical barriers or implement control cube method before construction begins.		8. Do not remove barriers from work area until completed project is checked by Infection Prevention & Control and thoroughly cleaned by Environmental. Services. 9. Vacuum work area with HEPA filtered vacuums. 10. Wet mop with disinfectant. 11. Remove barrier materials carefully to minimize spreading of dirt and debris associated with construction.		
		4. Maintain negative air pressure within work site utilizing HEPA equipped air filtration units.		12. Contain construction waste before transport in tightly covered containers.		
		5. Seal holes, pipes, conduits, and punctures appropriately. 6. Construct anteroom and require all personnel to pass through this room so they can be vacuumed using a HEPA vacuum cleaner before leaving work site or they can wear cloth or paper coveralls that are removed each time they leave the work site. 7. All personnel entering work site are required to wear shoe covers.		13. Cover transport receptacles or carts. Tape covering. 14. Upon completion, restore HVAC system where work was performed.		
Additional Requirements:						
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Date Initials				Date Initials are noted by attached memoranda		
Permit Request By:				Permit Authorized By:		
Date:				Date:		