

How to Fight Hospital Acquired Infections?

Hospital-acquired infections are among the most detrimental risks for patient safety. This guide provides essential, evidence-based practices to help protect your loved ones during their hospital stay.

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Patients develop infections during inpatient stay each year in the US

1/31

Patients will have at least one healthcare-associated infection during their stay

100K

People lose their lives due to a hospital acquired infection annually in the US

Essential Prevention Practices



Practice Oral Care

Tooth brushing (3x daily) supports lung health and reduces infection risk.



Wear Masks

Masks worn by patients and visitors reduce the spread of airborne pathogens.



Keep Hand Hygiene

Wash hands / use a sanitizer before contact and when entering or exiting the room.



Disinfect Surfaces

Use sanitizing wipes regularly to clean all surfaces, including bed rails, tables, cell phone, call bell/TV remote, room chairs, etc.



Report Warning Signs

Alert medical staff immediately if you notice any sign of infection such as fever, redness, or swelling. **Early detection saves lives.**



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