

Beebe Healthcare
Margaret H. Rollins School of Nursing
Nursing 101 - Foundations of Nursing

Infection Control Class Prep 10/13/23

You will be required to complete the lesson on ATI, “Chain of Infection & Body Defenses.” You will complete the lesson (No need to print anything) and on this handout, write the proper order for the Chain of infection, an example of each of the components of the chain of infection, 3 nursing interventions and the rationale for doing them to protect against infections. Please submit this assignment electronically to Mrs. Wingate’s dropbox labeled, “Infection Control” **by 0830 on 10/13/23.**

******To access the assignment on ATI, follow these instructions: Log on to ATI, Go to the tab, “My ATI”, then look for the module, “Engage Fundamentals RN.” Click it and look for “Foundations of Nursing Practice” tab and click it. Next will be, “Infection Control & Isolation, then choose the lesson to the left called, “Chain of Infections & Body Defenses.”

For additional Learning: Fundamental Takeaways: Infection Control /Isolation Flashcards. (Optional)

Proper order of the Chain of Infection with an example of each:

1. Infectious Agent ex. Clostridium Difficile
2. Reservoir ex. Bed or table
3. Portal of Exit ex. Wound drainage
4. Mode of Transmission ex. Contact
5. Portal of Entry ex. Mouth
6. Susceptible Host ex. Client with a suppressed immune system

3 Nursing Interventions w/ Rationales:

1. Hand hygiene because it breaks the chain of infection by disrupting the reservoirs and it also decreases risk for infection.

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2. Methods implemented to increase hosts line of defense like immunizations because these methods help to reduce risk for infections of susceptible hosts especially those immunocompromised.
3. Proper barrier devices such as mask or gowns because they help to reduce various modes of transmission.