

## Quick Tips:

# Managing Precautions for Residents



With the use of infection control measures it is more important than ever to consider your tone of voice and body language.

Smile (with your eyes), use a resident's name , introduce yourself. This can be scary.

Be creative in connecting *emotionally* with our Residents

### Monitor and Identify:

- Have a plan to quickly identify and manage ill residents

### Environment—Whenever possible:

- Consult Infection Prevention & Control before cohorting residents
- Keep isolation rooms close to each other
- Dedicate Health Care Workers to work only on affected units
- Frequent cleaning: especially of high touch surfaces

### Other Approaches — Whenever possible:

- Have resident stay in room
- If difficulty having resident stay in room – help them to keep 6 feet away from others and have resident wear a facemask
- Frequent (hourly) hand hygiene on residents
- Serve meals in resident rooms with appropriate monitoring
- Move the clean PPE out of reach and place the garbage where residents may be less likely to touch
- Use Pro Attention Plan strategies – Try to meet needs early.
- Provide activities and interaction regularly to prevent boredom and the need to leave the room
- Get creative about keeping people engaged
- Use Technology wherever possible to for virtual visits from family and friends