

SECTION #7

INFECTION CONTROL AND TREATMENT STRATEGIES

INFECTION CONTROL GUIDELINES

- Contain **soiled dressings or linen** in an appropriate leak proof container or bag, inaccessible to others



- For people with respiratory symptoms:
 - Teach to **cough into elbow or tissue** and provide a bag for tissue disposal
 - Assist with **hand washing**
 - Wear mask** when in close contact with the person, if there is any chance of secretions splattering (i.e. when suctioning or giving mouth or trach care)



TREATMENT STRATEGIES FOR PEOPLE NEEDING ASSISTANCE



- Contact the doctor immediately
- Start antibiotics as soon as possible and give all medication as prescribed
- Follow directions exactly
- Doctor may need to make an incision and drain a wound
- Keep all open wounds carefully and cleanly covered

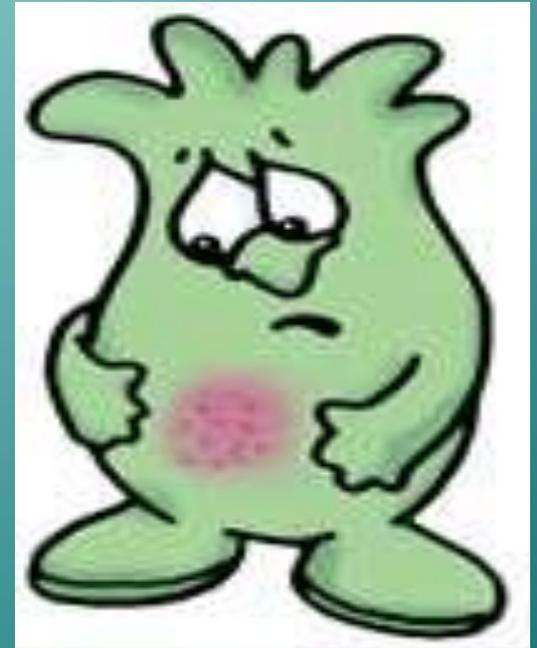


WILL MRSA COME BACK AFTER IT IS “CURED”?

MRSA can and does frequently reoccur

The **best way to prevent** this is to:

- follow health care provider’s directions while infected
- follow prevention steps after infection is gone



REMEMBER



- Frequent hand washing/hand cleaning
- Keep wounds covered, avoid direct contact with infection and drainage
- Don't touch contaminated materials without protection
- Learn how to care for wounds
- Get a flu shot to prevent MRSA pneumonia

