

## I am a carrier of a carbapenemase-producing organism.

When caring for me:

- \* Use gown and gloves (**contact precautions**).
- \* **Perform hand hygiene** before/after my care.

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## Things to Know

CPOs are a type of bacteria (germs) that have become **highly resistant to antibiotics** (medicine).

CPOs are not spread through the air. They **spread by contact with a person with a CPO**, or fluids from their wounds or stool (poop). Wash your hands often.

Healthcare staff will take **extra measures when caring for you** to keep from spreading the germs to others.

You **may have a CPO for a very long time**. Not everyone who has a CPO feels sick. Your doctor will let you know if you need treatment.