

APPENDIX A

ROUTINE PRACTICES RISK ASSESSMENT TOOL

SOME QUESTIONS TO ASK YOURSELF PRIOR TO EACH INTERACTION

1. Does the client appear to be feeling unwell?
2. Has the client been diagnosed with an infection?
3. Does the client have any symptoms of an infection (coughing, sneezing, fever, diarrhea, vomiting, rash, draining wound, general malaise, confusion, redness, swelling or pain in a specific body area)?
4. What contact am I going to have with the client?
5. What task am I going to perform? How competent/experienced am I in performing the task?
6. What is my risk of exposure to blood, body fluids, respiratory secretions, excretions, non-intact skin, mucous membranes, body tissues, and contaminated equipment?
7. Will the client be cooperative while I perform the task?

AFTER THE RISK ASSESSMENT HAS BEEN COMPLETED

Use all appropriate strategies of **Routine Practices** listed below to reduce the transmission of microorganisms (* based on risk assessment). (See Section 4.0 A: Routine Practices)

- Hand hygiene
- Gloves*
- Mask, Eye Protection, or Face Shields*
- Gowns*
- Environment
- Linen and Waste
- Sharps Injury Prevention