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World Hand Hygiene Day 2025

#handhygiene

May 5 is recognized as World Hand Hygiene Day (WHHD).

Each year the SAVE LIVES: Clean Your Hands campaign aims to progress the goal of maintaining a global profile on the importance of hand hygiene in health care and to 'bring people together' in support of hand hygiene improvement globally.

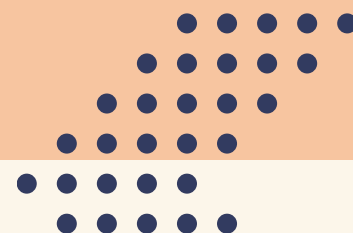
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ABOUT WORLD HAND HYGIENE DAY 2025.

The 2025 campaign day coincides with the need for countries to rapidly consider implementation of the [global action plan and monitoring framework on infection prevention and control \(IPC\)](#) - supported by a guide to implementation - and the need to continue to improve IPC as demonstrated in the latest [WHO IPC global report](#).



This year's theme, ***It might be gloves. it's always hand hygiene,*** aims to recognize the importance of prioritizing optimal hand hygiene practices alongside appropriate glove use.

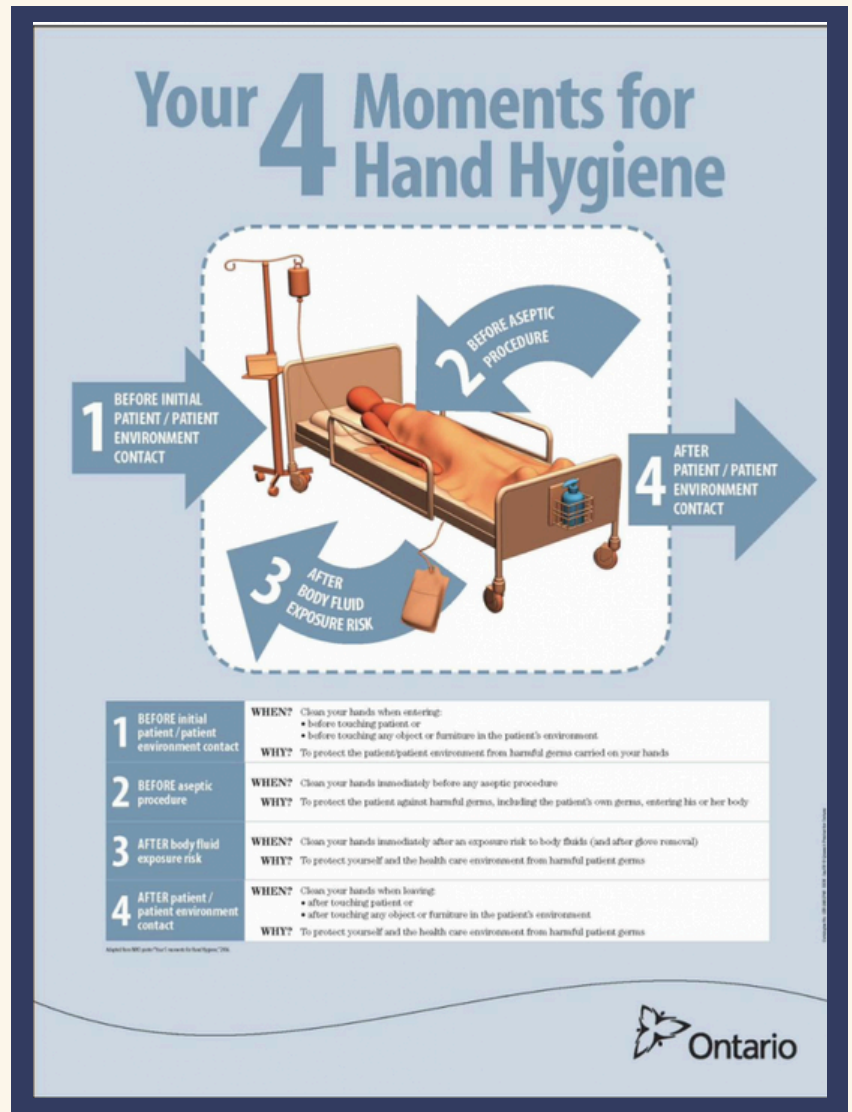


Hand hygiene saves millions of lives every year when performed at the RIGHT TIMES in the RIGHT WAY!

The four moments of hand hygiene are key indicators of times when health care providers are to clean their hands.



Scan the QR code for your copy of the 4 Moments for Hand Hygiene Poster.



Hand hygiene, whether performed using alcohol-based hand rub or soap and water, remains one of the **most effective** ways to prevent and control the spread of infections.

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