

INFECTION CONTROL RISK ASSESSMENT (ICRA) PROCESS CHECKLIST

Design

In the design phase, the infection control risk assessment team must consider:

- Number and location of patient isolation rooms.
- Air handling and ventilation needs in ORs, infection isolation rooms, and labs.
- Water systems to limit *Legionella* sp. and other waterborne opportunistic pathogens.
- Finishes and surfaces.

Construction

To make the construction phase go smoothly, the team should assess the following:

- Impact of disrupting essential services, including power
- Location of patients by susceptibility to infection
- Movement of debris, traffic flow, and cleanup
- Location of known hazards

Infection Control Risk Mitigation

In addition, your team should make recommendations for:

- Patient placement and relocation
- Barriers, anterooms, negative pressure machines, air purification equipment
- Temporary modification of heating, ventilating, air conditioning, and water supply systems
- Protecting patients and staff during demolition activities
- Training hospital staff, visitors, and construction personnel

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