## HELP PREVENT THE SPREAD OF CANDIDA AURIS.

## WHAT IS THE RISK?

Know the risks of *Candida auris* and how to stop its spread



- Candida auris (C. auris) is a type of yeast that can cause severe illness and spreads easily among patients in healthcare facilities.
- C. auris is often resistant to antifungal medications, meaning it has developed the ability to defeat the drugs designed to kill it.
- *C. auris* can infect different parts of the body like the blood, wounds, and skin.

## How Does Candida auris Spread in Healthcare?

C. auris can spread to other patients from infected individuals even if they are not sick, and through contaminated surfaces and objects like bedrails, doorknobs, and medical devices.

## **Infection Control Actions to Prevent Candida auris Spread**

- ALWAYS perform hand hygiene.
- Use precautions appropriate to your setting.
- Disinfect patient environments with products effective against *C. auris.*\*
- When transferring to another facility, ALWAYS communicate C. auris status.

\*See EPA's Registered Antimicrobial Products Effective Against Candida Auris [List P]



