

# Infection control in the health care setting - guidelines for the prevention of transmission of infectious diseases

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The Commonwealth Department of Health and Aged Care is currently revising the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) document *Infection Control in the Health Care Setting - Guidelines for the Prevention of Transmission of Infectious Diseases*.

The draft document will be available for consultation from 22 July 2000 to 1 September 2000.

This document contains amalgamated amendments and revisions of two documents:

1. *Infection Control in the Health Care Setting - Guidelines for the Prevention of Transmission of Infectious Diseases*, NHMRC, 1996; and,
2. *Creutzfeldt-Jakob Disease and Other Human Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathies: Guidelines on patient management and infection control*, NHMRC, 1995.

The outcome of the process will be a revised version of these guidelines which is intended to be applicable in a broad range of health care settings. They will be evidence-based best practice guidelines, which encompass principles of risk communication and management.

The web address for a copy of the draft and details for submissions is:

**<http://www.health.gov.au/pubhlth/strateg/communic/review/>**

The telephone number for inquiries will be available on the web site.