

| 1 | BEFORE<br>contact with patient or<br>patient's environment | Why?<br>To protect the patient against harmful germs carried on your hands     | <b>Example</b><br>Before contacting a patient or<br>items in their environment |
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| 2 | BEFORE                                                     | Why?                                                                           | Example                                                                        |
|   | clean/aseptic procedure                                    | To protect the patient against harmful germs from entering their body          | Before starting an IV                                                          |
| 3 | AFTER                                                      | Why?                                                                           | <b>Example</b>                                                                 |
|   | body fluid exposure risk                                   | To protect yourself and the health care environment from harmful germs         | After any invasive procedure                                                   |
| 4 | AFTER<br>contact with patient or<br>patient's environment  | Why?<br>To protect yourself and the health care environment from harmful germs | <b>Example</b><br>After contacting a patient or items<br>in their environment  |



