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## Washington Administrative Code Title 246 - Health, Department of COMMUNICABLE DISEASES Chapter 246-100 - Communicable and certain other diseases Section 246-100-186 - Special settings - Health care facilities

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Health care facilities shall:

(1) Adopt written policy and procedures restricting work of employees, staff, students, and volunteers diagnosed to have a communicable disease from direct contact with patients, residents, and recipients of care during the period of communicability when:

- (a) Transmission of the disease to recipients of care or other employees can occur in that particular job environment, and
- (b) The disease can cause serious illness.

(2) Permit employees, staff, students, and volunteers to return to work when measures have been taken to prevent transmission of disease if:

- (a) Measures are consistent with recommendations of an infection control committee or equivalent authorized group if existing, and
- (b) Measures are consistent with recommendations of local health officer.

(3) Comply with applicable state licensure law and department rules regarding communicable disease screening and control.

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