Chickenpox Aide Memoire

**Consult SOP and isolate in a single room with:**
- ensuite / own commode
- door closed
- IPC yellow sign on door
- dedicated equipment
- Ideally room should have negative pressure ventilation
- Care Checklist completed daily

**Patient Assessed Daily**

**NO**

Patient has had no new lesions and all existing ones are dry and crusted?

**YES**

- Stop isolation
- undertake terminal clean of room

**Chickenpox SOP - Guidelines for patients in isolation:**

**Hand Hygiene:** Liquid Soap and Water or alcohol hand rub

**PPE:** Disposable gloves and yellow apron for direct care with assessment of need for a FFP3 mask. HCW must assess the individual they are caring for and consider their own immunity when determining the need for an FFP3 mask.

**Patient Environment:** Twice daily chlorine clean

**Patient Equipment:** Cleaned after use and at least on a twice daily basis

**Laundry:** Treat as infected

**Waste:** Dispose of as Clinical / Healthcare waste

**Incubation Period:** (10 - 21 days) approx 14 days

**Period of Communicability:** 1-2 days before rash, until all blisters/lesions have crusted and no new ones have appeared.

**Transmission route:** direct contact, droplet, airborne

The most up-to-date version of this policy can be viewed at the following website:
www.nhsggc.org.uk/your-health/infection-prevention-and-control