

## Hand Hygiene is the single most important practice to prevent the spread of germs!

## Hands Hygiene MUST BE performed:

- Before contact with clients and their environment
- Between contact with different clients
- Before putting on gloves and after removing gloves
- After using the toilet or nose blowing
- Before eating or smoking
- Before handling or preparing food

## A Proper Hand Wash includes:

- Using warm running water and soap with plenty of friction to all surfaces for at least 15-20 seconds, including nails
- Using a clean paper towel to dry your hands and to turn off the tap

Use of <u>Alcohol based hand rub</u> may be substituted for hand washing when there are no sink and hands are not visibly soiled.