

Hand Hygiene Techniques

How to hand rub

with alcohol-based hand sanitizer



Apply product to the palm of one hand, ensuring that all hand surfaces are covered.

How to hand wash

with liquid soap and water



Wet hands with water.



Apply soap to hands, ensuring that all hand surfaces are covered.



Rub hands palm to palm.



Rub the right palm over the top of the left hand and between fingers. Repeat with other hand.



Rub palm to palm and between fingers.



Rub the back of fingers into your palm.



Rub the left thumb in a circle with the right palm and vice versa.



Rub the left palm in a circle, back and forth, with clasped fingers of the right hand. Repeat with other hand.



Duration of entire procedure: 20-30 seconds



Rinse hands with water.



Dry hands thoroughly with a paper towel.



Use paper towel to turn off the tap.



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Duration of entire procedure: 40-60 seconds

Based on the 'How to Handwash', URL: http://www.who.int/gpsc/5may/How_To_HandWash_Poster.pdf and 'How to Handrub', URL: http://www.who.int/gpsc/5may/How_To_HandRub_Poster.pdf © World Health Organization 2009. All rights reserved.

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