

## Hand in hand for more patient safety

## Dear patients, dear visitors,

you too can get actively involved and protect yourself and others from healthcare-associated infections through

hand disinfection.



BEFORE eating, drinking or taking medication



WHEN entering or leaving the patient's room

5 moments for patients & visitors



AFTER using the toilet or bedpan



AFTER contact with frequently touched surfaces in the hospital (e.g. doorknobs, handrails)



BEFORE and AFTER contact with own wounds, mucous membranes or venous access

Help yourself generously: When disinfecting hands, disinfectants should not be used sparingly.



## Hygienic hand disinfection – this is how to do it:



Apply sufficient amount of hand disinfectant to the cupped hand so that all areas of the hands can be wetted thoroughly and completely.



Carefully rub in hand disinfectant **for 30 seconds** – cover all areas of skin.

Particular attention has to be paid to fingertips and thumbs.

