

Gloved Hands May Spread Germs

Gloves are not a substitute for handwashing



How Gloves Can Spread Germs

- Germs collect on gloves when you start touching things.
- Germs are spread when you touch other things.
- People think they are protected by gloves, but they are not.
- You can clean your hands with sanitizer or soap and water, this stops the spread of the germs.



Gloves are Not a Complete Barrier

- Gloves may have micro-sized pin holes not visible to the naked eye.
- Germs may be on the outside of the glove and may seep inside too.
- Germs pass through these holes to the skin.
- Gloves can be damaged by fingernails, jewelry or wear and tear, moisture, heat and chemicals.



Don't Touch Your Face

- Keep hands away from your eyes, nose and mouth.
- Gloves may be more contaminated than bare hands.
- Be sure to wash your hands frequently with sanitizer or soap and water often and keep hands away from the face.