

most TOUCHED most CONTAMINATED

While many of the most-touched parts of a patient's room receive extra cleaning attention, many remain highly contaminated. The deadly combination of high-touch and high-contamination is believed to lead

to cross-contamination, which can in turn lead to infections. On this chart, you can see where these two categories overlap: **The most contaminated and the most touched.**

Parts of a typical hospital room that are

Most touched¹

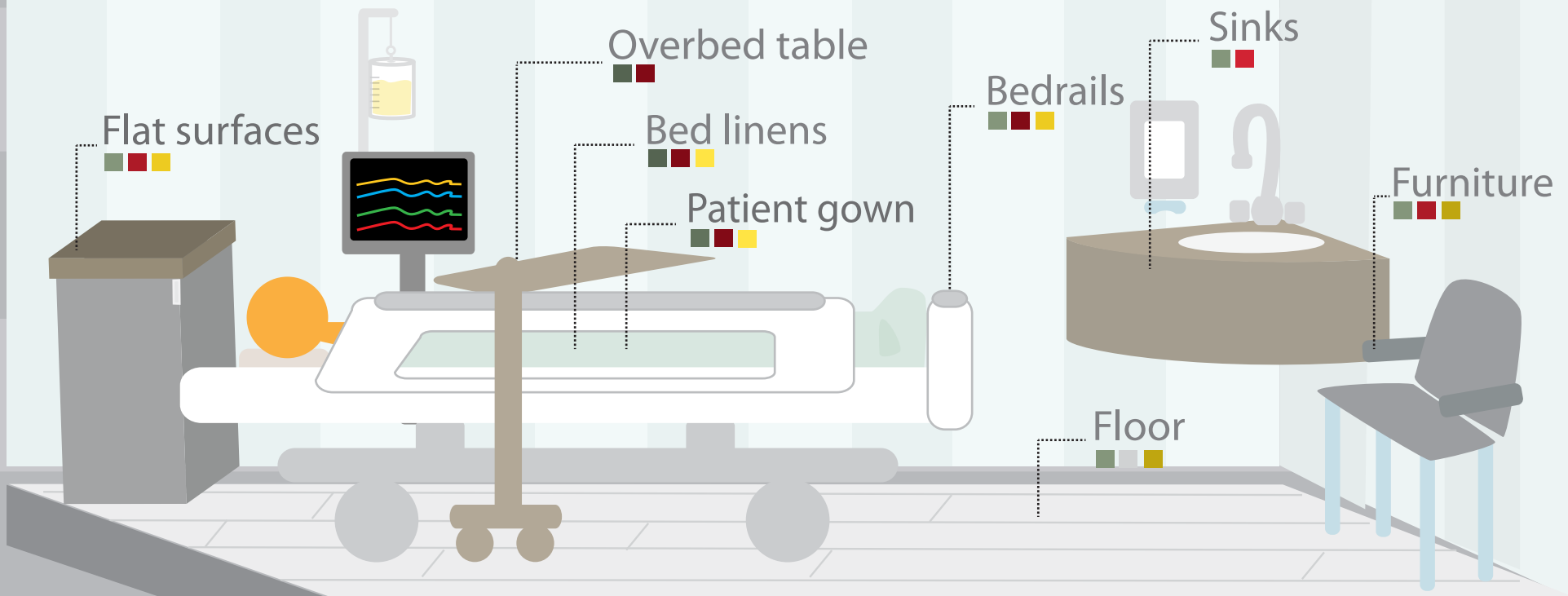
Frequency of touch

Most MRSA-contaminated²

Degree of contamination

Most C. diff-contaminated^{3,4}

Degree of contamination



¹ Huslage K, Rutala W A, et al. *ICHE* 2010;31(8):850-853

³ Samore MH, Venkataraman L, et al. *Am J Med* 1996;100(1):32-40

² Dancer SJ et al. *Lancet ID* 2008;8(2):101-13

⁴ Faires CM, Pearl DL, et al. *BMC Infect Dis* 2013;13:342

