



Infection Prevention Toolkit



Supporting Information for completing Catheter Insertion audit tool

Insertion

Assess Need

- Indwelling urinary catheters should be used only after alternative methods of management have been considered. The patient's clinical need for catheterisation should be reviewed regularly and catheter removal should be considered.

Clean the Catheter Site

- For urethral catheterisation and intermittent catheterisation – clean meatus with unscented and unperfumed soap and water and gently dry before insertion.
- For supra public catheterisation – clean the site with sterile water, using a single wipe with each swab.

Aseptic Technique

- Method used to prevent microbial contamination. Sterile equipment is used by a trained and competent healthcare professional. Whilst wearing sterile gloves a non-ouch aseptic technique is employed.
- Lubricant from a sterile single-use container should be used during catheter insertion to minimise urethral trauma and infection.
- Additional lubricant should not be used with intermittent catheters. They are already pre-lubricated.

Documentation

- The Catheter record is accurately completed.



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Care Home Name: _____

Name and Designation of person completing audit (PRINT): _____

Date Audit Completed: _____

	Observation	Assess need		Clean catheter site		Aseptic technique		Hand Hygiene prior to and after catheter insertion		Personal Protective Equipment		Safe disposal of waste		Bare Below Elbow		Documentation completed		All elements performed		
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