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| WEIGHING THE PATIENT | | | | NO. 275 | |
| PURPOSE:  To record the actual weight of patient and to keep accurate records of weight gain or loss.  EQUIPMENT:  Scale  Note: It is the policy of Winning Wheels that PT Aides or CNA measure residents' weights weekly, monthly, and whenever needed.   1. Remove scale from PT by unplugging from base unit of scale. Push START button to see if scale reads 00. If it reads 00, wait for these numbers to go out and then proceed. If not, press Zero button, wait for number to go out and then push START again. If it then reads 00 proceed when numbers go-out. 2. Be sure patient is dressed in usual attire. 3. Explain procedure to resident. 4. Transfer resident to scale according to facility protocol. 5. Note weight when numeric digits have stopped moving and the weight HOLD light comes on. 6. Transfer resident back to bed or wheelchair as before. 7. Document weight onto recording sheet. When all are collected give copy to Charge Nurse. 8. Residents' weekly weights will be documented in each individual Treatment MAR. Residents' monthly weights will be documented in individual charts on the Progressive Weight sheet in the Nurses Notes. | | | | | |
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