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| Administration of Medications - Rectally | | | | NO. 48 | |
| PURPOSE:  1. To provide alternate route when GI tract is malfunctioning, i.e. vomiting, NPO status.  2. To assist in bowel elimination.  EQUIPMENT:  1. Medication Administration Record  2. Prescribed medication  3. Gloves  4. Water-soluble lubricant  PROCEDURE: 5 minutes 0.083 hours  1. Obtain MAR for resident.  2. Check MAR with prescribed medication label.  3. Take medication and lubricant to patient’s bedside.  4. Provide privacy, identify resident, position resident.  5. Explain procedure to resident.  6. Wash hands.  7. Remove suppository from covering and lubricate with water-soluble lubricant.  8. Put on gloves.  9. Insert suppository gently into rectum beyond internal sphincter.  10. Instruct resident to wait 15 minutes until medication is absorbed.  11. Remove gloves, dispose of wrapper.  12. Wash hands.  13. Monitor resident for desired response.  DOCUMENTATION:  Initial on MAR, correct drug, time, route.  Document resident results. | | | | | |
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