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| URINARY CATHETER MONITORING AND  DOCUMENTATION | | | | NO. | |
| PURPOSE: To provide monitoring and documentation for residents who have an indwelling catheter.  STATEMENT OF POLICY: The facility will provide uniform documentation with the use of an indwelling catheter and ascertain that it is a clinical necessity that the catheter remain.   1. The Charge Nurse will inform the Director of Nursing: 2. All residents in the facility who have catheters. 3. Any residents who are admitted with catheters 4. Any new orders for catheterization 5. The Quality Assurance Department will examine the charts of these residents to make sure it is well documented that the catheter is clinically necessary. 6. The Nursing Assistance Care forms must indicate the catheter care is part of the resident’s a.m. and p.m. care. 7. The Staff Education Department will include a description of catheter care in a yearly in-service for the Nursing Assistants. 8. All residents with urinary catheters must have output monitored every shift and documented in the resident’s chart. 9. The Unit Nurse will include in the monthly nursing summaries: 10. The catheter’s status and patency 11. Urinary output and character 12. That the resident has been monitored for signs and symptoms of urinary tract infection 13. Potential for urinary tract infection must be addressed on the resident’s care plan. 14. With each quarterly resident assessment, the Unit Nurse will confer with the resident’s physician regarding the continued need of the urinary catheter. 15. The MDS Coordinator will document continued need of the urinary catheter in the resident’s care plan. 16. The catheter, tubing, and bag must be changed at least monthly, and this must be documented in the resident’s chart. | | | | | |
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