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urinary catheter care and to ensure that indwelling urinary catheter care does not cause the patients harm.

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Date:	Staff member:					
Criter	ia for Inserting a Urinary Catheter	Pt 1		Example		
1.	Alternatives to urethral catheterisation have been considered and the clinical reason for indwelling urinary catheter is clearly documented	Yes	No	Yes	No	
2.	Aseptic technique was used for insertion of indwelling urinary catheter	Yes	No	Yes	No	
3.	The indwelling urinary catheter was the smallest gauge, once inserted, the balloon was filled to the recommended level i.e. 10mls (unless clinically indicated)	Yes	No	Yes	No	
	The urethral meatus was cleaned with sterile saline and single use sterile lubricant was used prior to inserting the indwelling urinary catheter	Yes	No	Yes	No	
5.	Aseptic technique was applied/maintained when connecting the indwelling urinary catheter to a sterile closed drainage system	Yes	No	Yes	No	

Action Plan (complete when not all criteria met)		









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Date:		Staff name:											
Criterion for maintaining a Urinary Catheter		Pt 1		Pt2		Pt3		Pt4		Pt5		Example	
 There has been a review* of the need for the indwelling urinary catheter and the clinical reason for indwelling urinary catheter is clearly documented**, catheter was removed if possible 	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	es	No	
 The connection between the indwelling urinary catheter and the drainage system has not been broken except to meet clinical requirements (e.g changing the bag in line with manufacturers' recommendations) 	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	
Meatal hygiene was performed today	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	
 The drainage bag was emptied when clinically indicated; the drainage tap is not in contact with any environmental surface. 	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	
Hand hygiene was performed immediately prior to access or manipulation of the indwelling catheter	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	es	No	

^{*}Frequency of review should be determined locally.

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^{**}Document the need for the indwelling catheter e.g. to monitor urinary output (haemodynamic monitoring) or post urological surgery; patient cannot sufficiently empty their bladder (bladder outlet obstruction) and self catheterisation is not appropriate; patient is severely ill or has a disability that makes moving or changing very painful; patient has open wounds or pressure sores around their buttocks that are frequently contaminated with urine.









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Summary Table of Indwelling Urinary Catheter for insertion checklist										
Percentage compliance =	total number of criteria achieved total number of criteria	X	100	Example:	4 5 X 100 = 80%					

	Summary Table of Indwelling Urinary Catheter maintenance checklist	Total	Calculation for percentage compliance for each criteria	Percentage compliance
Α	Total number of patients with indwelling urinary catheters today			
В	Total number of patients that have had a review of the need for the indwelling		Total for B	
	catheter with the clinical reason for indwelling urinary catheter clearly documented;		Total for A X 100	
	and catheter was removed if possible			
С	Total number of patients where the connection between the indwelling urinary		Total for C	
	catheter and the drainage system was not broken except to meet clinical		Total for A X 100	
	requirements (e.g. changing the bag in line with manufacturers' recommendations)			
D	Total number of patients who had meatal hygiene was performed today		Total for D	
			Total for A X 100	
Е	Total number of patients whose drainage bag was emptied when clinically		Total for E	
	indicated using a clean, disposable container		Total for A X 100	
F	Total number of patients where hand hygiene was performed immediately prior to		Total for F	
	access or manipulation of the indwelling urinary catheter		Total for A X 100	

Summary Table of Indwelling Urinary Catheter maintenance checklist								
Total Percentage compliance = total number of criteria achieved		Example: For 5 patients (all criteria met) not met)	For 2 patients (3 criteria					
total number of criteria	X 100	25 25 X 100 = 100%	<u>7</u> 10 X 100 = 70%					
		25 X 100 = 100%	10 X 100 = 70%					