NURSE AIDE CURRICULUM SKILL PERFORMANCE CHECKLIST

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Perineal Care - 5.01M This skill may be required during NNAAP® testing

This performance checklist must be used by the teacher and student during skill acquisition, guided practice, and independent practice.

During skill check-off, the student must perform the skill unassisted with 100% competence.

While the course is being taught, a skill performance summary document/chart may be used to verify skills that have been completed. However, verification that the student has demonstrated competency on this skill MUST be recorded on the NATS Part II by the conclusion of the course.

Equipment: Basin of warm water, washcloths, bed protector, towel, bath blanket/equivalent, soap or pericare product, gloves

NNAAP® Tip: There are three (3) critical steps in perineal care. Be sure to review the NNAAP® Nurse Aide I Candidate Handbook prior to taking the NNAAP® exam.

1. Knock before entering room. Address resident by name.
2. State your name and title. Identify resident.
3. Explain procedure and obtain permission maintaining face-to-face contact whenever possible.
5. Provide for resident safety and raise bed to best level for body mechanics.
6. Fill wash basin 2/3 full with water not warmer than 105 – 110 degrees F. Before washing check water temperature for safety and comfort and ASK CLIENT TO VERIFY COMFORT OF WATER.
7. Put on gloves before washing perineal area.
8. Cover resident with bath blanket/equivalent and fanfold top linen to foot of bed exposing perineal area while avoiding overexposure of client.
9. Remove soiled clothing and linen protector(s) if necessary. Change gloves and wash hands as needed, providing for resident safety.
10. Place linen protector under client’s perineal area.
11. **Female Resident**
   - Assist resident to flex knees and spread legs as much as possible.
   - Gently open all skin folds and wash inner area front to back with soap or periwash.
   - If soap is used, wet wash cloth, wring out excess water, apply soap to wash cloth.
   - **Wash inner area, outer skin folds, inner legs, and outer area along and then the outside of the labia.** Wash all those areas using front to back strokes.
   - Using CLEAN washcloth, **RINSE** soap from genital area, moving front to back, while using a clean area of the washcloth for each stroke.
   - DRY genital area moving from front to back with towel.
   - TURN client to the side after washing genital area. **Wash and rinse the rectal area moving front to back using a clean area of washcloth for each stroke.** Dry rectal area with towel.
   - Think “Pick up where you left off” to get front to back correct while cleaning rectal area.

12. **Male Resident**
   - Gently push back foreskin of penis, if resident uncircumcised.
   - Using a circular motion, gently wash the penis by lifting it and cleaning from the tip downward.
   - Rinse in the same manner and return foreskin to natural position.
   - Wash scrotum and rinse.
   - Wash, rinse, and pat dry the skin area between the legs.
   - TURN client to the side after washing genital area. Wash and rinse the rectal area moving front to back using a clean area of washcloth for each stroke. Dry rectal area with towel.
   - Provide for resident safety.

13. Remove the bed protector and the bath blanket/equivalent.
14. Reposition the client in a comfortable position.
15. Empty, rinse, and dry basin and place in bedside table or designated area.
16. Dispose of used linen into soiled linen container and dispose of bed protector appropriately.
17. Avoid contact between care provider clothing and used linen.
18. **AFTER** Removing, cleaning, and storing other equipment according to facility policy remove gloves without contaminating self, dispose gloves into waste container, and WASH HANDS.
19. Provide for resident safety and comfort, leave bed locked in low position.
20. Record actions and report any abnormal observations to supervisor.

Instructor’s Initials: ________________________________________ Date: ______________