

# Catheter Associated Urinary Tract Infection Prevention (CAUTI)

- Reassess need for bladder catheter Q shift.
- Secure catheter to thigh to prevent trauma with catheter securement device.
- Disinfect drainage tube connection before reconnection if system is inadvertently disconnected.
- Ensure that urine is draining without obstruction or kink.
- Maintain drainage bag below the level of the bladder bag without contacting the floor.
- Protect drainage bag valve from contamination when bag is emptied.
- Maintain perineal hygiene routine.
- Change or remove Foley catheter if positive urine culture obtained.

For catheter insertion technique and specimen collection please reference LHSC Nursing Practice Manual.

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