## **Mini-Medical School**



## Foley catheter' s daily care 留置導尿管的生活照顧(英 文)

Why are patients in need of foley catheter insertion?

- 1. To help patients with urination.
- 2. To collect samples for urine test.

## After inserting catheters, what should be noticed?

- 1. All patients should drink plenty of water to urinate more than 2000c.c. of urine to prevent urinary tract infection; yet patients being refrained from water drinking are not included in this category.
- 2. Do not compress and fold the catheter or pull it because it could result bleeding.
- 3. Urine bag should be emptied every 8 hours or emptied when urine amount reaches half of the bag.
- 4. The connection of the urine bag should be tightened and sealed to prevent contamination.
- 5. The urine bag should be placed lower than patients' bladder to avoid urine reflux; also do not have it touch the ground.
- 6. Plastic-made foley should be changed in 7 days and silicon-made foley should be changed in one month; if there are signs of infection or obstruction, patients' foley must be changed immediately.
- 7. When there is too much secretion or when patients finish defecation, clean and rinse the foley.
- 8. Inform our medical staff immediately if any of the following conditions occurs:
  - Fever, chills
  - Urethra pain
  - Turbid urine
  - Increased urethral discharge

- 9. How to take care the catheter
  - Male patients:
    - Moisten towels with soap or rub the soap to create foam, rub patients' penis and genitals, and then flush with water.
    - Push the wrapper gently to the body, expose urethral meatus, clean corrugation place, and wipe with towels from inside out.
    - Place the wrapper at its original place
  - Female patients:
    - Moisten towels with soap or rub the soap to create foam, rub patients' genitals, then flush it with water and dry their skin with towels.
    - Push aside the lips of vulva; clean from urethra to anus.
    - Clean foley catheter from inside out.

10. Replaces fixed spot catheter everyday:

- The foley catheter of male patients must be fixed on the lower belly.
- The foley catheter of female patients must be fixed in the inside of leg up to the 1/3 region.
- 11. Our medical staff will be more than happy to answer your questions regarding the foley catheter.

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