

## **Diapering Procedure**



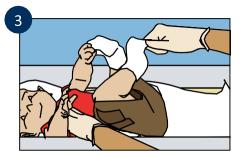
## Assemble supplies before placing the child on the diapering surface.

- \*\* Cover surface with disposable paper recommended, not required
- Wipes remove at least 3 from container; leave container open in case more are needed
- Clean diaper
- Dab of diapering cream/ointment on facial tissue (if needed) or have diapering cream/ointment and tissues within reach – can also use clean glove or clean wipe to apply diapering cream/ointment. Powder is not recommended.
- Plastic bag for soiled clothes (if needed)
- Clean clothes (if needed)
- · Disposable gloves recommended, not required



Place child on diapering surface. Always keep a hand on the child.

NEVER step away from the child on the changing table.



Remove any clothing if needed. Remove shoes and socks if feet cannot be kept from contacting soiled skin or surfaces. Place soiled clothing in a plastic bag.



Unfasten diaper and leave under child, remove, or fold over. Can use the diaper to wipe most of the stool from the child's bottom before using wipes.



Lift child's legs and clean skin with wipes from front to back.



Put soiled wipes in soiled diaper or directly into a covered, plastic-lined garbage. Place the soiled diaper in the covered garbage can.



If paper is soiled, use a corner to fold the clean side of paper back under child's cleaned bottom.



Remove gloves if used and dispose in a covered garbage can.



Use separate wipes to clean your hands first, then clean the child's hands.

Discard wipes in covered garbage can.



Put a clean diaper under child's bottom. (If using diaper cream/ointment, apply with tissue, clean glove, or tissue, then discard tissue/ glove/wipe in covered garbage can.)



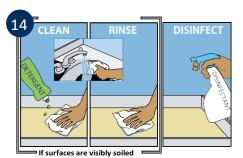
Fasten diaper and dress child. Do not stand child on diapering surface.



Wash child's hands at sink if child has head and neck control.



Return child to supervised area.



A. Dispose of changing table paper if used.

B. If diapering surfaces are visibly soiled:

 Clean surfaces with soap, water, and paper towels.

C. Wet all diapering surfaces with disinfectant solution.

D. Leave solution on for required contact time.



**WASH HANDS** 

If the diapering surface is wet after required contact time, dry with clean paper towel before next change. It is very important to make sure the diapering surface is completely dry before placing a child on the surface.



Record in Daily Report Form for family:

- Time of diaper change
- · Diaper contents
- Any problems such as loose stool, skin irritation, etc.

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