



Diaper Procedures

- Designate a diaper change area within the facility.
- Wash hands and organize needed supplies.
- Disposable gloves must be available in the diaper change area for use during enteric outbreaks or diarrheal incidents. Put gloves on prior to changing the diaper.
- When a child's clothes are soiled, ensure child does not come into contact with your clothes as you place him/her on change table.
- Fold the diaper inward and set it aside.
- Clean child with a pre-moistened disposable wipe or single use towel. Discard soiled diaper and wipes/towels in a plastic-lined receptacle with lid.
- Place soiled clothing into a plastic bag, without washing or rinsing, to send home with parents for cleaning.
- Skin care products should be labelled with each child's name and dispensed using a disposable applicator.
- If you are wearing disposable gloves, remove and dispose of them in the plastic-lined receptacle.
- Wash your hands with soap and warm water.
- Diaper and dress the child.
- Wash the child's hands with soap, running water and use paper towels to dry.
- Clean area first with soap and water then disinfect the diapering area with a low-level disinfectant such as 200 ppm bleach (5ml bleach: 1 L water) for the appropriate contact time.
- Surfaces soiled with faeces/body fluids should be cleaned with soap and water then disinfected with 5000 ppm bleach (1:10 bleach solution) for 10 minutes or an appropriate disinfectant that is effective against non-enveloped viruses (e.g., Norovirus, Rotavirus). Refer to Manufacturer recommendations on the product label for mixing instructions and appropriate contact times.
- Wash your hands thoroughly with soap and water.

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