

Leamington Mennonite Home
Long Term Care

POLICY AND PROCEDURE

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CONTINENCE CARE PRODUCTS & SCHEDULED CHANGING OF RESIDENTS

POLICY:

The Leamington Mennonite Home will provide an incontinence product that is responsive to the resident's care and promotes dignity, comfort, and independence. A protocol will be followed to ensure adequate product changes for each resident requiring a product. The continence care products are provided at no charge to the resident

PROCEDURE:

Three products are available for resident use. The resident will be evaluated by the Registered Staff in consultation with the PSW's and provided with a product(s) to meet his / her needs.

The products available are:

1. #4 Disposable Insert Pad – this pad will be used for residents who require a light product to assist with i.e. stress incontinence. This product will absorb approximately 250 cc.
2. #5 Disposable Insert Pad – this pad will be used for residents who require moderate protection. This product will absorb 400 cc.
3. #7 Disposable Insert Pad – this product will be used for residents who require heavy protection. This product will absorb 450 cc.
3. Full Brief – the full brief will be available in sizes according to resident. This product will be provided for nighttime use.

All products will be kept in the care closets on each RHA. The products will be ordered every 2 weeks and the amount used will be monitored by the DOC. A list of resident names and products used will be placed in the care closet on each RHA. The PSW will communicate to the Registered Staff when a resident needs a change in size of insert or brief.

The list will then be updated. PSW's will provide care and changes to individual residents as needed using the following guidelines:

1. At 6:00 – 8:00 am, when giving am care, the PSW will provide peri-care to each resident and apply the appropriate panty and insert.
2. At approximately 10:00 – 11:00 am, the PSW will check the resident and if the lines on the product are not greater than 75%, it will not be changed. However, you will reposition the resident.
3. At 12:30 – 1:00 pm, the PSW will change the insert on each resident as required.

4. At 3:00 – 4:00 pm – check the insert and if the lines on the product are not greater than 75%, it will not be changed. Reposition the resident.
5. At 6:00 – 8:00 pm, the PSW will give peri-care and apply the appropriately sized brief for HS.
6. At second evening rounds (approximately 9:15 pm), the PSW will check the resident and if the lines on the product are not greater than 75%, it will not be changed.
7. At 1:00 – 2:00 am, PSW will check the brief and change the brief if necessary. If change was not necessary, check on second round and change product then if necessary.

Residents using the snap panty will have them changed as required.

There will be fluctuation in resident needs. The frequency of changing the resident's product shall be based on the resident's individual needs. The PSWs will work from a stocked cart. Each shift will stock the cart for oncoming staff.

Each cart will be stocked with the following:

1. Peri-clothes
2. Cooler with peri-wash, barrier cream, powder, etc.
3. Inserts and briefs to be used for residents noted on the incontinent product list attached to each cart.
4. Cotton snap panties in the various sizes indicated on the resident list.
5. Bed pads, chair pads and linen.
6. Isogel and the appropriate gloves.

An annual evaluation of the continence care products will be facilitated by the Home to determine the residents' satisfaction. Feedback from the following shall be used to determine the need for a change in product(s):

- Resident and family members (SDM) – through the annual multidisciplinary care conference.
- Staff – through Quality Assurance Committee, staff meetings and multidisciplinary care conference
- Family Council – through Quarterly Meetings and Annual Surveys.

The feedback shall determine vendor contract (s) and product choices.

If a resident wishes to purchase her or his own continence care products, the reason for doing so shall be documented. These reasons shall include an explanation as to why the resident, SDM or family member deems the products offered by the Home to be inadequate in meeting the resident's needs.