

Catheter Associated Urinary Tract Infection (CAUTI) Top Ten Checklist

TOP TEN EVIDENCE BASED INTERVENTIONS				
PROCESS CHANGE	IN PLACE	NOT DONE	WILL ADOPT	NOTES (RESPONSIBLE AND BY WHEN?)
Adopt insertion criteria.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Ensure sterile technique (including hand hygiene, soap and water perineal care prior to insertion, and appropriate sized catheter) is used - staff competency, observation audits.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Incorporate daily review of line necessity into workflow, such as charge nurse rounds, electronic health care record prompt. (e.g. take advantage of habits and patterns rather than creating a new form).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Do not change indwelling urinary catheters routinely.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Ensure appropriate care and maintenance - closed system, perineal hygiene done routinely, keep urine flowing (no kinks, bag lower than bladder), regular emptying, use of securement device.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Include RNs, physicians, nurses aids, PT, OT, transport, etc. in your efforts to reduce CAUTI - they all have a role in care, maintenance and discontinuation of the catheter.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Engage emergency department, surgical services and other invasive procedure areas where urinary catheters might be inserted in adoption of insertion criteria and insertion technique.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Use other tools such as use of under-pads that provide a quick-drying surface and wick moisture away, toileting schedule, and purposeful rounding (good alignment here with falls and HAPU prevention) to manage incontinence.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Involve patient and family so they understand the risks associated with a urinary catheter.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Establish CAUTI as a top priority by making CAUTI data transparent.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

