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Child Stoma Tube and Elimination Nursing Skills

Practical 02 / Skills laboratory

Aim

Demonstrate care of selected surgical or elimination devices and report problems promptly.

Principle

Verified route, secure devices, skin protection and accurate fluid records support safe care.

Articles and Materials

- Child enteral, stoma and catheter trainers
- Dummy orders, measuring equipment and device records

Procedure

1. Confirm procedure, device type, identity, allergies and current order. Review the child's weight, intake, comfort and caregiver role.
2. Assess skin, device position, securement and drainage or output. Compare with baseline before preparing an intervention.
3. For gastric, gastrostomy or jejunostomy feeding verify access, confirmed placement, formula, route, prescribed rate and flush before connecting the trainer feed.
4. Demonstrate pouch fit and skin protection on the model colostomy or ureterostomy, recording colour and output. Observe any ordered irrigation with faculty.
5. For a catheter or rectal procedure model verify the prescribed indication and checks and demonstrate the approved skills-lab sequence.
6. Record input, flushes and distinct outputs with interval and units. Recognise sudden change, dislodgement, leakage, pain, bleeding or feeding intolerance.
7. Teach the caregiver one authorised home or ward-care action and rehearse when to call. Confirm understanding.
8. Document device findings, action, response and the review plan, including who will follow a concern.

Precautions

- Use model and approved device instructions.
- Check placement or patency before authorised use.

Observations and Record

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Documentation

Item	What to record	Why it matters
Device	Type, route, site and order	Prevents mismatch
Care	Feed, skin and measured output	Supports review
Follow-up	Teaching, symptoms and action	Protects continuity

Worked Example

The enteral model's mark has moved and the child has new pain. The learner holds feeding and escalates to verify location and safety.

Result and Evaluation

Preserve safe model device function and complete a traceable nursing record.

Viva Questions and Answers

Why record stoma output separately?

Its trend can affect hydration and reveal complications.

What should happen if a tube appears displaced?

Pause use and obtain authorised assessment.

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