*Standardized Pre-Operative Education for Patients, Families and Staff*

1. **Pre-Operative Bathing Protocol**
2. **Outpatient**

* Parents will be instructed to bathe/shower their child the night before surgery using their usual soap. .
* Parents will be instructed to wash their child’s hair the night before surgery using their child’s usual shampoo.
* A reminder call, the night before surgery, includes instructions to complete the pre-operative bath as discussed above.
* Surgical admitting will wipe the patient’s skin the morning of surgery with CHG (Sage) wipes based on manufacture’s recommendations before the patient is transferred to the operating room. If patient is allergic to CHG, a soap and water bath will be performed based on amount of time before the surgical procedure. If there is no time for a soap and water bath to be performed, Ready Bath wipes will be used.

1. **Inpatient**

* Night before surgery: Patient will be given a soap and water bath.
* Day of surgery: Patient’s greater than/equal to 36 weeks: Will have their skin wiped with CHG (Sage) wipes based on manufacture’s recommendations before the patient is transferred to the operating room. Patient’s less than 36 weeks and/or allergic to CHG: A soap and water bath will be performed based on the amount of time before the surgical procedure. If there is no time for a soap and water bath to be performed, Ready Bath wipes or sterile gauze/sterile water (<34 weeks) will be used.

1. Pre/Post-Operative Antimicrobial Protocol

Please refer to VP Shunt MAP and postop plans

1. Intra-Operative Skin Preparation Protocol

Per Surgeon preference.

1. Discharge Education

Education will be provided on incision care and signs and symptoms of infection.