

AirLink CCT

Foley Catheter Insertion Guidelines

Objective:

1. To identify the patients who do require foley catheter insertion and prevent unnecessary insertion in patients not meeting the requirement.
2. To prevent foley catheter related infections.

Indications for use:

1. Hemodynamic instability
2. Burn or rhabdomyolysis patient where fluid resuscitation is based on urine output.
3. Mechanically ventilated
4. Unstable fractures
5. Stage 2 or > sacral or perineal decubitis

Management:

1. Ensure sterile procedure used during insertion.
2. Prevent catheter movement with Stat-loc device on leg.
3. Hang foley catheter bag below patient so that urine collected in catheter tubing does not re-enter bladder.
4. For interfacility transports, ensure foley catheter bag emptied prior to departure to prevent re-induction of urine into bladder.

Charting:

1. Make sure to chart in **procedure section** drop down if foley catheter inserted during flight.
2. Document reason for foley catheter insertion.
3. Document number of attempts.
4. Document size.