

Action

## Hand hygiene Audit Tool for Domiciliary Care



- Please ensure that all staff should be assessed for hand hygiene technique on at least an annual basis.
- Please use additional copies of this form as necessary.
- All columns should be completed.
- During clinical situations, where possible, staff should be observed undertaking 'Key Moments' see overleaf.

This audit tool can be used as a rolling programme of audit of compliance with your Hand hygiene Policy.

- During non-clinical situations, e.g. assessing hand hygiene technique after a team meeting, tick N/A in the 'Key Moment' column.
- In the event of non-compliance, action plans should be produced and reviewed regularly.
- Completed audit tools should be kept locally for good practice assurance and as evidence for CQC inspections.

## NOTES:

\* Staff should be 'Bare Below the Elbows' (BBE) when delivering direct care to service users. BBE is being free from long-sleeved clothing, wrist and hand jewellery (other than one plain band ring). Long sleeves, if worn, should be rolled or pushed up to the elbows. Long sleeves or religious bangles, if worn, should be pushed up and secured at the elbows. Finger nails should be short and clean, no nail varnish, false or acrylic nails, nail extensions or nail jewellery.

\*\*Refer to the 'Hand Hygiene Technique for Staff' poster overleaf.

| Observation | Staff member being observed | 'Key Moments' Was the opportunity taken to clean their hands at each moment | Staff are 'Bare<br>Below the<br>Elbows'* | Cuts and grazes<br>are covered with a<br>waterproof plaster | The correct hand hygiene technique is used when washing hands** | Paper towels are disposed of without touching the waste bin lid |
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| No. 1       |                             | Yes □ No □ N/A □  | Yes □ No □                               | Yes □ No □  | Yes □ No □  | Yes □ No □  |
| No. 2       |                             | Yes □ No □ N/A □  | Yes □ No □                               | Yes □ No □  | Yes □ No □  | Yes □ No □  |
| No. 3       |                             | Yes □ No □ N/A □  | Yes □ No □                               | Yes □ No □  | Yes □ No □  | Yes □ No □  |
| No. 4       |                             | Yes □ No □ N/A □  | Yes □ No □                               | Yes □ No □  | Yes □ No □  | Yes □ No □  |
| No. 5       |                             | Yes □ No □ N/A □  | Yes □ No □                               | Yes □ No □  | Yes □ No □  | Yes □ No □  |
| No. 6       |                             | Yes □ No □ N/A □  | Yes □ No □                               | Yes □ No □  | Yes □ No □  | Yes □ No □  |
| No. 7       |                             | Yes □ No □ N/A □  | Yes □ No □                               | Yes □ No □  | Yes □ No □  | Yes □ No □  |
| No. 8       |                             | Yes □ No □ N/A □  | Yes □ No □                               | Yes □ No □  | Yes □ No □  | Yes □ No □  |
| No. 9       |                             | Yes □ No □ N/A □  | Yes □ No □                               | Yes □ No □  | Yes □ No □  | Yes □ No □  |
| No. 10      |                             | Yes □ No □ N/A □  | Yes □ No □                               | Yes □ No □  | Yes □ No □  | Yes □ No □  |
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## Key moments for hand hygiene

## Your 5 moments for hand hygiene at the point of care



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|---|--|---|--|--|--|
| 1 | BEFORE<br>SERVICE USER<br>CONTACT  | WHEN? Clean your hands before touching a service user when approaching him/her. WHY? To protect the service user against harmful germs carried on your hands.   |  |  |  |
| 2 | BEFORE A<br>CLEAN/ASEPTIC<br>PROCEDURE   | WHEN? Clean your hands immediately before any clean/aseptic procedure. WHY? To protect the service user against harmful germs, including the service user's own, from entering his/her body.  |  |  |  |
| 3 | AFTER BODY<br>FLUID<br>EXPOSURE RISK   | WHEN? Clean your hands immediately after an exposure risk to body fluids (and after glove removal). WHY? To protect yourself and the healthcare environment from harmful service user germs.  |  |  |  |
| 4 | AFTER SERVICE<br>USER CONTACT  | WHEN? Clean your hands after touching a service user and her/his immediate surroundings, when leaving the service user's side. WHY? To protect yourself and the healthcare environment from harmful service user germs.   |  |  |  |
| 5 | AFTER<br>CONTACT WITH<br>SERVICE USER<br>SURROUNDINGS  | WHEN? Clean your hands after touching any object or furniture in the service user's immediate surroundings when leaving—even if the service user has not been touched. WHY? To protect yourself and the healthcare environment from harmful service user germs. |  |  |  |

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