Appendix A

STEP	RATIONALE
1. Ask nurse about resident's needs,	1. Prepares you to provide best possible
abilities and limitations, if necessary	care to resident.
and gather necessary supplies.	
2. Knock and identify yourself before	2. Maintains resident's right to privacy.
entering the resident's room. Wait for	
permission to enter the resident's	
room.	
3. Greet resident by name per resident	3. Shows respect for resident.
preference.	
4. Identify yourself by name and title.	4. Resident has right to know identity and
	qualifications of their caregiver.
5. Explain what you will be doing;	5. Promotes understanding and
encourage resident to help as able.	independence.
6. Gather supplies and check equipment.	6. Organizes work and provides for safety.
7. Close curtains, drapes and doors.	7. Maintains resident's right to privacy and
Keep resident covered, expose only	dignity.
area of resident's body necessary to	
complete procedure.	
8. Wash your hands.	8. Provides for Infection Control.
9. Wear gloves as indicated by Standard	9. Protects you from contamination by
Precautions.	bodily fluids.
10. Use proper body mechanics. Raise	10. Protects yourself and the resident from
bed to appropriate height and lower side	injury.
rails (if raised).	

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PROCEDURE #2: FINAL STEPS	
STEP	RATIONALE
1. Remove gloves, if applicable, and wash your hands.	1. Provides for Infection Control.
2. Be certain resident is comfortable and	2. Reduces stress and improves resident's
in good body alignment. Use proper body mechanics	comfort and sense of well-being.
3. Lower bed height and position side	3. Provides for safety.
rails (if used) as appropriate.	
4. Place call light and water within	4. Allows resident to communicate with
resident's reach.	staff as necessary and encourages
	hydration.
5. Ask resident if anything else is needed.	5. Encourages resident to express needs.
6. Thank resident.	6. Shows your respect toward resident.
7. Remove supplies and clean equipment	7. Facilities have different methods of
according to facility procedure.	disposal and sanitation. You will carry out
	the policies of your facility.
8. Open curtains, drapes and door	8. Provides resident with right to choose.
according to resident's wishes.	_
9. Perform a visual safety check of	9. Prevents injury to you and resident.
resident and environment.	
10. Report unexpected findings to nurse.	10. Provides nurse with necessary
	information to properly assess resident's
	condition and needs.
11. Document procedures according to	11. What you document is a legal record of
facility procedure.	what you did. If you don't document it,
	legally, it didn't happen.

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PROCEDURE #3: HANDWASHING/HANDRUB	
STEP	RATIONALE
How to Hand wash (Wash hands when visibly	
soiled or prior to giving care)	
1. Turn on faucet with a clean paper	1. Faucet may be used by resident/visitors
towel.	and should be kept as clean as possible.
2. Adjust water to acceptable	2. Hot water opens pores which may cause
temperature.	irritation.
3. Angle arms down holding hands lower	3. Water should run from most clean to
than elbows. Wet hands and wrists.	most soiled.
4. Apply enough soap to cover all hand	
and wrist surfaces. Work up a lather	
NOTE: Direct caregivers must rub	
hands together vigorously, as follows, for	
at least 20 seconds, covering all surfaces	
of the hands and fingers.	
5. Rub hands palm to palm.	5. Lather and friction will loosen pathogens
	to be rinsed away.
6. Right palm over top of left hand with	
interlaced fingers and vice versa.	
7. Palm to palm with fingers interlaced.	
8. Backs of fingers to opposing palms	
with fingers interlocked.	
9. Rotational rubbing, of left thumb	
clasped in right palm and vice versa.	
10. Rotational rubbing, backwards and	
forwards with clasped fingers of right hand in left palm and vice versa.	
Clean finger nails	
11. Rinse hands with water down from	11. Soap left on the skin may cause
wrists to fingertips	irritation and rashes.
12. Dry thoroughly with single use towels.	THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPERTY O
13. Use towel to turn off faucet and	13. Prevents contamination of clean hands.
discard towel.	
How to Use Hand rub (otherwise, use hand	
<u>rub)</u>	
14. Apply a quarter sized amount of the	14. May refer to label for estimated amount

product in a cupped hand and cover all	of product to be placed in palm.
surfaces.	
15. Rub hands palm to palm.	15. Thorough application will reach all
	surfaces of concern.
16. Right palm over left dorsum with	
interlaced fingers and vice versa.	
17. Palm to palm with fingers interlaced.	
18. Backs of fingers to opposing palms with	
fingers interlocked.	
19. Rotational rubbing of left thumb clasped	
in right palm and vice versa.	
20. Rotational rubbing, backwards and	
forwards with clasped fingers of right	
hand in left palm and vice versa.	
21. Allows hands to dry. Waterless hand	21. The product must be dry to be effective.
rubs must be rubbed for at least 10	
seconds or until dry to be effective.	
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PROCEDURE #4: GLOVES	
STEP	RATIONALE
1. Wash hands.	
2. If right-handed, slide one glove on left hand (reverse, if left-handed).	
3. With gloved hand, slide opposite hand in the second glove.	
4. Interlace fingers to secure gloves for a comfortable fit.	
5. Check for tears/holes and replace glove, if necessary.	5. Damaged gloves do not protect you or the resident.
6. If wearing a gown, pull the cuff of the gloves over the sleeves of the gown.	6. Covers exposed skin of wrists.
7. Perform procedure.	
8. Remove first glove by grasping outer surface of other glove, just below cuff and pulling down.	8. Both gloves are contaminated and should not touch unprotected skin.
9. Pull glove off so that it is inside out.	9. The soiled part of the glove is then concealed.
10. Hold the removed glove in a ball of the palm of your gloved hand. Do not dangle the glove downward.	10. To ensure the first glove goes into the second glove
11. Place two fingers of ungloved hand under cuff of other glove and pull down so first glove is inside second glove.	11. Touching the outside of the glove with an ungloved hand causes contamination.
12. Dispose of gloves without touching outside of gloves and contaminating hands.	12. Hands may be contaminated if gloves are rolled or moved from hand to hand.
13. Wash hands.	

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PROCEDURE #	5: GOWN (PPE)
STEP	RATIONALE
1. Wash your hands.	
2. Open gown and hold out in front of	2. Prevents contamination of the gown.
you. Let the clean gown unfold	
without touching any surface.	
3. Slip your hands and arms through the	
sleeves and pull the gown on.	
4. Tie neck ties in a bow.	4. They can easily be un-tied later.
5. Overlap back of the gown and tie	5. Ensures that your uniform is completely
waist ties.	covered.
6. Put on gloves; extend to cover wrist of	
gown	
7. Perform procedure.	
8. Remove gloves	8. Outside of gloves are contaminated.
9. Untie the neck, then waist ties	
10. Pull away from neck and shoulders,	10. By not touching the outside surface of
touching inside of gown only.	the gown with your bare hands, it prevents contamination
11. Fold gown with clean side out and	11. Gowns are for one use only. They must
place in laundry or discard if	be either discarded or laundered after each
disposable.	use.
12. Wash your hands.	

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PROCEDURE #6: MASK	
STEP	RATIONALE
1. Wash your hands.	
2. Place upper edge of the mask over the bridge of your nose and tie the upper ties. If mask has elastic bands, wrap the bands around the back of your head and ensure they are secure.	2. Your nose should be completely covered.
3. Place the lower edge of the mask under your chin and tie the lower ties at the nape of your neck.	4. Your mouth should be completely covered.
4. If the mask has a metal strip in the upper edge, form it to your nose.	5. This will prevent droplets from entering the area beneath the mask.
5. Perform procedure.	
6. If the mask becomes damp or if the procedure takes more than 30 minutes, you must change your mask.	7. Dampness of the mask will reduce its ability to protect you from pathogens. The effectiveness of the mask as a barrier is greatly diminished after 30 minutes.
7. If wearing gloves, remove them first.	8. This will prevent contamination of the areas you will touch when untying the mask.
8. Wash your hands.	
9. Untie each set of ties and discard the mask by touching only the ties. Masks are appropriate for one use only.	10. Hands may be contaminated if you touch an area other than the ties. Masks must be discarded after each use.
10. Wash your hands.	

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PROCEDURE #7: FALLING OR FAINTING	
STEP	RATIONALE
1. Call for nurse and stay with resident.	1. Allows you to get help, yet continuously
	provide for resident's safety and comfort.
2. Check if resident is breathing.	2. Provides you with information necessary
	to proceed with procedure.
3. Do not move resident. Leave in same	3. Prevents further damage if resident is
position until the nurse examines the	injured.
resident.	
4. Talk to resident in calm and supportive	4. Reassures resident.
manner.	
5. Apply direct pressure to any bleeding	5. Slows or stops bleeding.
area with a clean piece of linen.	
6. Take pulse and respiration.	6. Provides nurse with necessary
	information to properly assess resident's
	condition and needs.
7. Assist nurse as directed. Check	
resident frequently according to	
facility policy and procedures. Assist	
in documentation.	

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PROCEDURE #8: CHOKING	
STEP	RATIONALE
1. Call for nurse and stay with resident.	1. Allows you to get help, yet continuously
	provide for resident's safety and comfort.
2. Ask if resident can speak or cough.	2. Identifies sign of blocked airway (not
	being able to speak or cough).
3. If not able to speak or cough, move	3. Puts you in correct position to perform
behind resident and slide arms under	procedure.
resident's armpits.	
4. Place your fist with thumb side	4. Positions fist for maximum pressure with
against abdomen midway between	least chance of injury to resident.
waist and ribcage.	
5. Grasp your fist with your other hand.	5. Allows you to stabilize resident and
	apply balanced pressure.
6. Press your fist into abdomen with	6. Forces air from lungs to dislodge object.
quick inward and upward thrust.	
7. Repeat until object is expelled.	
8. Assist with documentation.	

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PROCEDURE #9: SEIZURES	
STEP	RATIONALE
1. Call for nurse and stay with resident.	1. Allows you to get help, yet continuously
	provide for resident's safety and comfort.
2. Place padding under head and move	2. Protects resident from injury.
furniture away from resident.	
3. Do not restrain resident or place	3. Any restriction may injure resident
anything in mouth, assist nurse with	during seizure. Positioning resident on
placing resident on his/her side	his/her side prevents choking if the resident
	should vomit.
4. Loosen resident's clothing especially	4. Prevents injury or choking.
around neck.	
5. Note duration of seizure and areas	5. Provides nurse with necessary
involved.	information to properly assess resident's
	condition and needs.

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PROCEDURE #10: FIRE	
STEP	RATIONALE
1. Remove residents from area of	1. Residents may be confused, frightened
immediate danger.	or unable to help themselves.
2. Activate fire alarm.	2. Alerts entire facility of danger.
3. Close doors and windows to contain	3. Prevents drafts that could spread fire.
fire.	
4. Extinguish fire with fire extinguisher,	4. Prevents fire from spreading.
if possible.	
5. Follow all facility policies.	5. Facilities have different methods of
	responding to emergencies. You need to
	follow the procedures for your facility.

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PROCEDURE #11: FIRE EXTINGUISHER	
STEP	RATIONALE
1. Pull the pin.	1. Allows the extinguisher to be functional.
2. Aim at the base of the fire.	2. Targets the source of the flames, which
	should be found at the base.
3. Squeeze the handle.	3. Releases the chemical(s) to extinguish
	the fire.
4. Sweep back and forth at the base of	4. Fully extinguishes the source of the fire.
the fire.	

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PROCEDURE #12: ORAL TEMPERATURE (ELECTRONIC)	
STEP	RATIONALE
Do not take oral temperature for a resident	
who is unconscious, uses oxygen, or who is	
confused/disoriented.	
1. Remove thermometer from storage/	
battery charger.	
2. Do initial steps.	
3. Position resident comfortably in bed or chair.	
	4. The thermometer measures heat from
4. Put on disposable sheath and place	
thermometer under the tongue and to	blood vessels under the tongue.
one side, press button to activate the thermometer.	
5. The resident should be directed to	
breathe through their nose.	
6. Instruct resident to hold thermometer	6. The lips hold the thermometer in
in mouth with lips closed. Assist as	position.
necessary.	
7. Leave thermometer in place until	
signal is heard, indicating the	
temperature has been obtained.	
8. Read the temperature reading on the	8. Record temperature immediately so you
face of the electronic device, remove	won't forget. Accuracy is necessary
the thermometer, discard the sheath,	because decisions regarding resident's care
and record the reading.	may be based on your report. What you
	document is a legal record of what you did.
	If you don't document it, legally, it didn't
	happen.
9. Do final steps.	
10. Return thermometer to storage/battery	
charger.	
11. Report unusual reading to nurse.	11. Provides nurse with necessary
	information to properly assess resident's
	condition and needs.

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PROCEDURE #13: AXILLARY TEMPERATURE	
STEP	RATIONALE
Often taken when inappropriate to take an	
oral temperature; particularly if resident is	
confused or combative	
Remove thermometer from storage/ battery charger.	
2. Do initial steps.	
3. Position resident comfortably in bed or chair.	
4. Put on disposable sheath, remove	4. Places thermometer against blood
resident's arm from sleeve of gown,	vessels to get reading.
wipe armpit and ensure it is dry. Hold	
thermometer in place with end in	
center of armpit and fold resident's	
arm over chest.	
5. Press button to activate the	
thermometer.	
6. Hold thermometer in place until	
signal is heard, indicating the	
temperature has been obtained.	
7. Read the temperature reading on the	7. Record temperature immediately so you
face of the electronic device, remove	won't forget. Accuracy is necessary
the thermometer, discard the sheath,	because decisions regarding resident's care
and record the reading.	may be based on your report. What you
	document is a legal record of what you did.
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	happen.
8. Assist the resident to return arm	
through sleeve of clothing/gown.	
9. Do final steps	
10. Return thermometer to storage/battery charger.	
11. Report unusual reading to nurse.	11. Provides nurse with necessary
	information to properly assess resident's
	condition and needs.

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PROCEDURE #14: PULSE AND RESPIRATION	
STEP	RATIONALE
1. Do initial steps.	
2. Place resident's hand on comfortable surface.	
3. Feel for pulse above wrist on thumb side with tips of first three fingers.	3. Because of artery in your thumb, pulse would not be accurate if you use your thumb.
4. Count beats for 60 seconds, noting rate, rhythm and force.	4. Ensures accurate count. Rate is number of beats. Rhythm is regularity of beats. Force is strength of beats.
5. Continue position as if feeling for pulse. Count each rise and fall of chest as one respiration.	5. Resident could alter breathing pattern if aware that respirations are being taken.
6. Count respirations for 60 seconds noting rate, regularity and sound.	6. Ensure accurate count. Rate is number of breaths. Regularity is pattern of breathing. Sound is type of auditory breaths heard.
7. Record pulse and respiration rates.	7. Record pulse and respirations immediately so you won't forget. Accuracy is necessary because decisions regarding resident's care may be based on your report. What you write is a legal record of what you did. If you don't document it, legally, it didn't happen.
8. Report unusual findings to nurse.	8. Provides nurse with information to assess resident's condition and needs.
9. Do final steps	
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PROCEDURE #15: BLOOD PRESSURE	
STEP	RATIONALE
1. Do initial steps.	
2. Clean earpieces and diaphragm of stethoscope with antiseptic wipe.	2. Reduces pathogens; prevents spread of infection.
3. Uncover resident's arm to shoulder.	
4. Rest resident's arm, level with heart,	4. A false low reading is possible, if arm is
palm upward on comfortable surface.	above heart level.
5. Wrap proper sized	5. Cuff must be proper size and placed on
sphygmomanometer cuff around upper	arm correctly so amount of pressure on
unaffected arm approximately 1-2 inches	artery is correct. If not, reading will be
above elbow.	falsely high or low.
6. Put earpieces of stethoscope in ears.	6. Earpieces should fit into ears snugly to make hearing easier.
7. Place diaphragm of stethoscope over	
brachial artery at elbow.	
8. Close valve on bulb. If blood	8. Inflating cuff too high is painful and may
pressure is known, inflate cuff to 20	damage small blood vessels.
mm/hg above the usual reading. If blood	
pressure is unknown, inflate cuff to 160	
mm/hg.	
9. Slowly open valve on bulb.	9. Releasing valve slowly allows you to hear beats accurately.
10. Watch gauge and listen for sound of pulse.	
11. Note gauge reading at first pulse	11. First sound is systolic pressure.
sound.	
12. Note gauge reading when pulse	12. Last sound is diastolic pressure.
sound disappears.	
13. Completely deflate and remove cuff.	13. An inflated cuff left on resident's arm
	can cause numbness and tingling. If you
	must take blood pressure again, completely
	deflate cuff and wait 30 seconds. Never
	partially deflate a cuff and then pump it up
	again. Blood vessels will be damaged and
	reading will be falsely high or low.

diastolic readings.	won't forget. Accuracy is necessary
	because decisions regarding resident's care
	may be based on your report. What you
	write is a legal record of what you did. If
	you don't document it, legally, it didn't
	happen.
15. Do final steps.	
16. Report unusual readings to nurse.	16. Provides nurse with information to
	properly assess resident's condition.
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14. Record readings immediately so you

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14. Accurately record systolic and

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STEP	RATIONALE
1. Do initial steps.	
2. <u>Using standing balance scale</u> : Assist	2. Measurements are written on the rod in
the resident onto the scale, facing	inches.
away from the scale. Ask the resident	
to stand straight. Raise the rod to a	
level above the resident's head.	
Lower the height measurement device	
until it rests flat on the resident's	
head.	
3. When a resident is unable to stand:	3. Places resident in proper position and
Flatten the bed and place resident in	alignment; allows you to measure resident
supine position. Place a mark on the	accurately.
sheet at the top of the head and	
another at the bottom of the feet.	
Measure the distance.	
4. If the resident is unable to lay flat due	4. Allows you to obtain an accurate
to contractures: Utilize a tape	measurement for the resident who cannot
measure and beginning at the top of	fully extend body.
the head, follow the curves of the	
spine and legs, measuring to the base	
of the heel.	
5. Accurately record resident's height.	5. Record height immediately so you won't
	forget. Accuracy is necessary because
	decisions regarding resident's care may be
	based on your report. What you write is a
	legal record of what you did. If you don't
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6. Do final steps.	
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PROCEDURE #16: HEIGHT

PROCEDURE #17: WEIGHT	
STEP	RATIONALE
1. Do initial steps.	
2. Balance scale.	2. Scale must be balanced on zero for
	weight to be accurate.
3. Depending on scale used, assist	3. When using chair scale, if resident has
resident to stand on platform or sit in	feet on floor, weight will not be accurate.
chair with feet on footrest or	Wheel locks prevent chair from moving
transport wheelchair onto scale and	when using a wheelchair scale.
lock brakes.	
4. When using a standard scale –lower	4. When arm drops, weight is too high.
weight to fifty pound mark that	When pointer is suspended, weight is
causes arm to drop. Move it back to	accurate.
previous mark. Move upper weight to	
pound mark that balances pointer in	Total gives accurate weight.
middle of square. Add lower and	
upper marks. When using a digital	
scale – press weigh button. Wait until	
numbers remain constant.	
5. Subtract weight of wheelchair from	
total weight, if applicable.	
6. Accurately record resident's weight.	6. Record weight immediately so you
	won't forget. Weight changes are an
	indicator of resident condition. Accuracy
	is necessary because decisions regarding
	resident's care may be based on your
	report. What you write is a legal record of
	what you did. If you don't document it,
	legally, it didn't happen.
7. Do final steps.	
8. Report unusual reading to nurse.	8. Provides nurse with information to
	assess resident's condition and needs.
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PROCEDURE #18: ASSIST RESIDENT TO MOVE TO HEAD OF BED	
STEP	RATIONALE
1. Do initial steps. Ask another CNA to	
assist you if needed.	
2. Lower head of bed and lean pillow	2. When bed is flat, resident can be moved
against head board. Adjust bed height	without working against gravity. Pillow
as needed.	prevents injury should resident hit the head
	of bed. Adjusting the bed height decreases
	risk of injury.
3. Ask resident to bend knees, put feet flat	3. Gives resident leverage to help with
on mattress.	move.
4. Place one arm under resident's	4. Putting your arm under resident's neck
shoulder blades and the other arm	could cause injury. Use of a draw sheet/pad
under resident's thighs. If a draw	causes less stress on caregiver and reduces
sheet or pad is under resident, 2	risk of injury.
caregivers should grasp the sheet or	
pad firmly, with trunk centered	
between hands.	
5. Ask resident to push with feet on	5. Enables resident to help as much as
count of three.	possible and reduces strain on you.
6. Place pillow under resident's head.	6. Provides for resident's comfort.
7. Do final steps.	

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PROCEDURE #19: SUPINE POSITION	
STEP	RATIONALE
1. Do initial steps.	
2. Lower head of bed.	2. When bed is flat, resident can be moved
	without working against gravity.
3. Move resident to head of bed if	3. Places resident in proper position in bed.
necessary.	
4. Position resident flat on back with	4. Prevents friction in thigh area.
legs slightly apart.	
5. Align resident's shoulder and hips.	5. Reduces stress to spine.
6. Use supportive padding and/or float	6. Maintains position, prevents friction and
heels, if necessary.	reduces pressure on bony prominences.
	Padding may be used under neck,
	shoulders, arms, hands, ankles, lower back.
	Never use padding under knees, unless
	directed by nurse, as it may restrict blood
	flow to lower legs.
7. Do final steps.	

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LATERAL POSITION
RATIONALE
2. Places resident in proper position and
alignment.
3. Allows resident to be positioned in
center of bed when turned.
4. Reduces stress on shoulders during
move.
5. Reduces stress on hip joint during turn.
6. Prevents stress on shoulder and hip
joints.
7. Maintains position, prevents friction and
reduces pressure on bony prominences.

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PROCEDURE #21: FOWLER'S POSITION	
STEP	RATIONALE
1. Do initial steps.	
2. Move resident to supine position.	2. Places resident in proper position and
	alignment.
3. Elevate head of bed 45 to 60 degrees.	3. Improves breathing, allows resident to
	see room and visitors.
4. Use supportive padding if necessary.	4. Maintains position, prevents friction and
	reduces pressure on bony prominences.
	Padding may be used under neck,
	shoulders, arms, hands, ankles, lower back.
	Never use padding under knees, unless
	directed by nurse, as it may restrict blood
	flow to lower legs.
5. Do final steps.	

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PROCEDURE #22: SEMI-FOWLER'S POSITION	
STEP	RATIONALE
1. Do initial steps.	
2. Move resident to supine position.	2. Places resident in proper position and
	alignment.
3. Elevate head of bed 30 to 45 degrees.	3. Improves breathing, allows resident to
	see room and visitors.
4. Use supportive padding if necessary.	4. Maintains position, prevents friction and
	reduces pressure on bony prominences.
	Padding may be used under neck,
	shoulders, arms, hands, ankles, lower back.
	Never use padding under knees, unless
	directed by nurse, as it may restrict blood
	flow to lower legs.
5. Do final steps.	

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PROCEDURE #23: SIT ON EDGE OF BED	
STEP	RATIONALE
1. Do initial steps.	
2. Adjust bed height to lowest position.	2. Allows resident's feet to touch floor
	when sitting. Reduces chance of injury if
	resident falls.
3. Move resident to side of bed closest to	3. Resident will be close to edge of bed
you.	when sitting up.
4. Raise head of bed to sitting position, if	4. Resident can move without working
necessary.	against gravity.
5. Place one arm under resident's	5. Placing your arm under the resident's
shoulder blades and the other arm	neck may cause injury.
under resident's thighs.	
6. On count of three, slowly turn	
resident into sitting position with legs	
dangling over side of bed.	
7. Allow time for resident to become	7. Change of position may cause dizziness
steady. Check for dizziness	due to a drop in blood pressure.
8. Assist resident to put on shoes or	8. Prevents sliding on floor and protects
slippers.	resident's feet from contamination.
9. Move resident to edge of bed so feet	9. Allows resident to be in stable position.
are flat on floor.	
10. Do final steps.	

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PROCEDURE #24: USING A GAIT BELT TO ASSIST WITH AMBULATION	
STEP	RATIONALE
1. Do initial steps.	
2. Assist resident to sit on edge of bed.	2. Allows resident to adjust to position
Encourage resident to sit for a few	change. A change in position may cause
seconds to become steady. Check for	dizziness due to drop in blood pressure.
dizziness.	
3. Place belt around resident's waist	3. Buckle is difficult to release if in back
with the buckle in front (on top of	and may cause injury to ribcage if on side.
resident's clothes) and adjust to a	Placing the belt on top of resident's clothes
snug fit ensuring that you can get	maintains proper infection control
your hands under the belt. Position	procedures. The belt must be snug enough
one hand on the belt at the resident's	that it doesn't slip when you are assisting
side and the other hand at the	resident to move.
resident's back.	
4. Assist the resident to stand on count	4. Allows you and resident to work
of three.	together.
5. Allow resident to gain balance. Ask	5. Change in position may cause dizziness
the resident if dizzy.	due to a drop in blood pressure.
6. Stand to side and slightly behind	6. Allows clear path for the resident and
resident while continuing to hold onto	puts you in a position to assist resident if
belt.	needed.
7. Walk at resident's pace.	7. Reduces risk of falling.
8. Return resident to chair or bed and	
remove belt.	
9. Do final steps.	
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PROCEDURE #25: TRANSFER TO CHAIR	
STEP	RATIONALE
1. Do initial steps.	
2. Place chair on resident's unaffected	2. Unaffected side supports weight. Helps
side. Brace firmly against side of bed.	stabilize chair and is shortest distance for
	resident to turn.
3. Assist resident to sit on edge of bed.	3. Allows resident to adjust to position
Encourage resident to sit for a few	change. A significant change in position
seconds to become steady. Check for	may cause dizziness due to a drop in blood
dizziness.	pressure.
4. Stand in front of resident and apply	4. Gait belts reduce strain on your back and
gait belt around resident's abdomen.	provides for security for the resident.
5. Grasp the gait belt securely on both	5. Provides security for the resident and
sides of the resident	enables them to turn.
6. Ask resident to place his hands on	6. You may be injured if resident grabs
your upper arms.	around your neck.
7. On the count of three, help resident	7. Allows you and resident to work
into standing position by	together. Minimizes strain on your back.
straightening your knees.	
8. Allow resident to gain balance, check	8. Change of position may cause dizziness
for dizziness.	due to drop in blood pressure.
9. Move your feet 18 inches apart and	9. Improves your base of support and
slowly turn resident.	allows space for resident to turn.
10. Lower resident into chair by bending	10. Minimizes strain on your back.
your knees and leaning forward.	
11. Align resident's body and position	11. Shoulders and hips should be in straight
foot rests. Remove gait belt	line to reduce stress on spine and joints.
12. Do final steps.	

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