

INFECTION CONTROL POLICY & PROCEDURE

Title: COVID-19 Patients with Skin Issues

Number: IC-6002

Effective Date: 04-13-20

Revised Date:

Review Date: (no revisions): 01-31-22

PURPOSE:

To prevent serial transmission of COVID-19 virus.

POLICY:

To maintain patient/staff safety when evaluating and treating a COVID-19 patients skin issues.

PROCEDURE

- 1. Don appropriate PPE (use policy regarding PPE requirements for confirmed or suspected COVID-19 patients) WASH HANDS.
- If evaluating wound, use camera with plastic cover (bag) on it to take picture of wound (do NOT use graph!)
- 3. Calculate width, length and estimate depth with ruled single use paper.
- 4. Describe in notes not only size and depth but full description which includes the following:
 - Description of drainage; color and consistency, odor, amount.
 - Any sign of inflammation, surrounding skin color, wound edges, etc.
 - Granulation, eschar present, etc.
 - Stage of wound.
- 5. Do treatment as per physician's order.
- 6. When completed. WASH HANDS

Approved By:		
Director Employee Health/Infection Control	Date	
Chief Nursing Officer	Date	