Patient Bathing/Cleansing Methods

Soap/water/washcloth bathing method should be used for all partially and fully independent med-surg patients in addition to basic perineal and catheter care.

Readybath 8-pack cloths
Should be used on total care patients who require a complete bedbath, preop CHG bathing, ICU/IMC patients requiring a daily CHG bath, and may be used for large incontinence episodes.

Comfort Shield Barrier Cream Cloths are an alternative to incontinence ointment and paste used to prevent and treat incontinence associated dermatitis.

Do Not FLUSH the disposable cloths.

Do Not HANDOUT packages of disposable cloths to patients or families. They are to be used by trained staff only.

Refer to the Patient Care Policy/Procedure on MemorialNet Bathing and Incontinence Care