UR Medicine Strong Memorial Hospital Artificial Heart Program

Driveline Dressing Change Using Gauze

1.	Have patient lie down in bed
2.	Clean off bedside table with antimicrobial wipe. Allow to air dry.
3.	Wash hands with soap for 30 seconds
4.	Gather products: 1 split gauze packet, 1 gauze pad packet, 2 ChloraPreps, sterile gloves, non-sterile gloves, 2 masks, 2 bonnets, and 1 role Medipore tape.
	Note: If the patient has sensitivity or allergy to ChloraPrep, 2 betadine swab sticks may be used as a substitute.
5.	Apply bonnet and mask to patient and yourself. Carefully open 2 ChloraPreps, split gauze and gauze pad. Place Medipore tape on the table.
	Note: if using betadine swab sticks, open packages and have a patient hold.
6.	With non-sterile gloves, loosen and remove old dressing.
7.	Inspect exit site for sign of infection. Remove non-sterile gloves
8.	Put on sterile gloves
9.	Remove the ChloraPrep applicator and gently squeeze the wings to release the solution. Start at exit site and scrub for 30 seconds using a circular motion. Go from the exit site outwards and include driveline. Allow it to dry for 30 seconds. Discard ChloraPrep.
10.	Repeat above with a 2 nd ChloraPrep and allow to air dry completely.
11.	Tuck split gauze under driveline at exit site. Cover with gauze pad. Remove sterile gloves. Cover with Medipore tape. Write the date on the dressing.
12.	Place Medipore tape in Ziploc bag for next use.

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