

Chapter 29: Urinary Elimination

Testing Urine With Reagent Strips			
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		Date:	
<i>Remember to promote:</i>			
Dignity • Independence • Individualized Care • Preferences • Privacy • Safety			
Pre-Procedure	S	U	Comments
1. Practise proper hand hygiene.			
2. Put on gloves.			
3. Collect the following:			
<input type="checkbox"/> Urine specimen (check with your supervisor for method to obtain)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Reagent strip, as ordered			
<input type="checkbox"/> Gloves			
Procedure	S	U	Comments
4. Remove a strip from the bottle. Recap the bottle immediately. The cap must be on tight.			
5. Dip the reagent strip into the specimen.			
6. Remove the strip after the correct amount of time (follow manufacturer's instructions).			
7. Tap the strip gently against the container.			
8. Wait for the required amount of time (follow manufacturer's instructions).			
9. Compare the colour on the strip with the colour chart on the bottle. Read the results.			
10. Discard disposable items and the specimen according to employer policies.			
Post-Procedure	S	U	Comments
11. Clean and return equipment to its proper place.			
12. Remove gloves. Practise proper hand hygiene.			
Report and Record the results and other observations, according to employer policy.			