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4.19.2 HYGIENE INTERVENTION PROCEDURE	Attachments: Yes 🗌 No 🔀

I. PROCEDURE OVERVIEW

This procedure provides requirements for the identification, reporting, and documentation of a patient who displays inappropriate hygiene management.

II. PROCEDURE

- A. Any staff who observes a patient displaying behavior such as refusing to shower for an extended period of time, fecal smearing, urinating on the floor, food smearing, displaying behavior or displaying their person or property in an un-hygienic manner, or other similar inappropriate behavior, shall notify the facility clinic Registered Nurse (RN) or Triage and Treatment Area RN.
- B. The RN or designee shall conduct an evaluation within one (1) business day of notification and shall refer the patient to a physician or mental health clinician (Case Manager) if indicated.
- C. The physician or mental health Case Manager shall assume the care and treatment of the patient when a medical or mental health cause for the behavior is identified.
- D. The physician or assigned mental health Case Manager shall provide custody staff with a Chrono when the behavior is determined NOT to have arisen from a medical or mental health condition.
- E. Health care staff shall document requests for evaluations, and the evaluation in the patient's health record.