

NURSING CARE PLAN No 7
Complex Post-Operative Care
Use this careplan for children requiring post-operative care in conjunction with pre& post-operative careplan
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Care Plan No 7 Problem	Complex Post-Operative care Goal	Issue Date: April 2020 Review Date: April 2023
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<p>.....</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has a wound • Has a drain • Has a stoma • Has a catheter • Has a tube for gastric decompression / feeding related to..... 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • will receive safe and appropriate care relating to his/her surgery. • Complications will be detected early and managed appropriately
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No	NURSING INTERVENTION	Commencement, Date, Signature, Time, Grade	Discontinued, Date, time, Signature, Grade
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1	Nursing Observation and management <i>(Please tick box date and sign only if required)</i>		
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	Wound care <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assess wound for redness, pain, swelling, haemorrhage, excessive ooze. Report, record and respond appropriately. • Change wound dressings when clinically indicated. Please record name of dressing used and update if any changes made. 	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Wound 1			
Wound 2			
Wound 3			

2	Drain		
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	<i>Redivac</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Minivac</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Penrose</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Chest Drain</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Other</i> _____		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure drain is free from kinks. • Observe for oozing around the site • Record drainage amount, monitoring colour and consistency. • Report and record reduction or increase in drainage amount. • Maintain suction to Redivac / Minivac® as requested 	<input type="checkbox"/>	

2a	Chest Drain		
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	Chest Drain <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide care as per guidelines (NPC 2015) 	<input type="checkbox"/>	
	Low pressure suction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain on low pressure suction if prescribed • Level of water in suction chamber to be prescribed in medical notesCms of H2o • Maintain this level of water in suction chamber at all times, top up with sterile water for irrigation to keep water a level of the line. • Ensure gentle bubbling in suction chamber only 	<input type="checkbox"/>	

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3	Stoma Care	Commencement , Date, Signature, Time, Grade	Discontinued, Date, time, Signature, Grade
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Ileostomy Colostomy Vesicostomy ACE Other _____

- Observe stoma colour and size
- Observe skin colour around stoma
- Observe and record stoma output - volume, frequency and consistency.
- Record and report any abnormalities promptly
- Contact stoma nurse regarding child/parent education. *(Cont. next page)*

Stoma *(continued)*

Appliance

Specific Instructions

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4	Urinary Catheter Care		
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	Date Inserted	Size	Measurement at skin level	For removal
Urethral				
Supra-pubic				
Nephrostomy				
Stent				
Mitrofanoff				

Provide catheter care as per urinary Catheter Guidelines (NPC 2014)

Specific Care

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5	Gastric Decompression / Feeding		
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	Size	Secure with
Nasogastric		
Reprogle		
TAT		
Gastric Decompression / Feeding		
Other		

- Ensure tube is free of kinks.
- Tape securely but maintain skin integrity at all times.
- Aspirate and test to ensure correct position as per NPC guidelines



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5	Gastric Decompression / Feeding continued.....	Commencement , Date, Signature, Time, Grade	Discontinued, Date, time, Signature, Grade
Specific instructions – Gastric decompression			
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Record volume, colour, consistency of gastric losses • Replace gastric losses as prescribed 			
Specific instructions – Feeding			
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