

AHRQ Safety Program for Reducing CAUTI in Hospitals



Appendix D. Poster on Indications for Urinary Catheters

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Does your patient **really** need that catheter?



Appropriate indications for urinary catheters include:

- Perioperative use in selected surgeries

- Acute urinary retention or obstruction

- Hospice/comfort care/palliative care

- Accurate measurement of urinary output in critically ill patients

- Required strict immobilization for trauma or surgery

- Assistance in healing of severe perineal and sacral wounds in incontinent patients

Questions?
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