



# Monitoring And Maintenance Of Continence Clients Procedure

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## 1. Purpose

This Procedure is performed as a means of monitoring the condition and treatment provided to continence patients of West Coast District Health Board (WCDHB).

## 2. Application

This Procedure is to be followed by all clinical staff throughout WCDHB.

## 3. Definitions

There are no definitions associated with this Procedure.

## 4. Staff Authorised To Perform Procedure

This Procedure shall be performed by a:

- i) registered nurse under the supervision/direction of a continence nurse; or
- ii) continence nurse specialist;
- iii) physiotherapist trained as a continence adviser.

## 5. Resources Required

This Procedure requires:

- i) client's medical record.

## 6. Process

- 1.00 All continence patients are to be reassessed by a Continence Nurse advisor 6 weeks after their initial assessment.
- 1.01 3 months after the initial assessment, each continence client is to be reviewed.
- 1.02 As an outcome of the review, the continence client may:
  - i) be discharged; or
  - ii) continue to be prescribed continence supplies; or
  - iii) continue to be monitored without continence supplies being prescribed.
- 1.03 If the client is not discharged, staff will continue to:
  - i) provide professional supervision and oversight of the client where they are being managed by their family/whanau or caregiver;
  - ii) ensure that clinical benefit continues to be derived by the client from the treatment programme;
  - iii) implement the long term care plan that was developed after the initial assessment.



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## 7. Precautions And Considerations

→ there are no specific precautions and considerations associated with this Procedure.

## 8. References

MoH Service Specifications DOM104 Continence Service

## 9. Related Documents

WCDHB Entry To Continence Service Criteria  
WCDHB Assessment Of Urinary And Faecal Incontinence Procedure  
WCDHB Continence Education For Client And Carers Procedure  
WCDHB Continence Education For Staff And Community Procedure  
WCDHB Discharge Planning For Continence Clients Procedure  
WCDHB Management And Supply Of Continence Products Procedure  
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