

## Skills Checklist: Assist w/ Bedside Commode

**Nursing Assistant's Name:**

**Reviewer Name:**

Procedure Steps	Performed	Performed, but needs improvement	Did not Perform
Carry out Initial Steps			
Feedback			
Assemble equipment: - Disposable gloves - Portable commode - Toilet tissue - Basin - Washcloth - Soap - Towel - Bath blanket			
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Position the commode beside the bed, facing the head. Lock the commode wheels and open the lid. Be sure a receptacle is in place under the seat			
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If the bed and side rails are elevated, lower the side rails nearest you and lower the bed to the lowest horizontal position. Lock bed wheels			
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Put on gloves			
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Assist the patient to a sitting position. Swing the patient's legs over the edge of the bed			
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Assist the patient to put on a robe			

and slippers. Assist the patient to stand. If needed, use a transfer belt			
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Support the patient with hands on either side of the chest. Remember to use proper body mechanics. Pivot the patient and lower their to the commode			
Feedback			
Cover the patient's legs with a bath blanket			
Feedback			
Leave the call bell and toilet tissue within reach			
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Remove and discard gloves			
Feedback			
When the patient signals, return promptly. Wash your hands and put on gloves. Fill a basin with water at 105°F. Bring the basin to the bedside along with soap, a towel, and a washcloth			
Feedback			
Remove the bath blanket. Assist the patient to stand			
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Cleanse the anus and perineum if the patient is unable to do so			
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Allow the patient to wash and dry their hands. Remove and discard			

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gloves. Wash your hands			
Feedback			
Assist the patient to return to bed. Adjust bedding and pillows for comfort			
Feedback			
Leave the signal cord within easy reach			
Feedback			
Put on gloves			
Feedback			
Remove the receptacle from the commode and cover it. Close the commode lid			
Feedback			
Take the receptacle to the bathroom. Note its contents and measure if required			
Feedback			
Empty and clean the receptacle per facility policy. Replace it in the commode. Remove and dispose of gloves properly			
Feedback			
Put the commode in its proper place			
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Carry out last procedures			
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