

## Checklist: Empty, Measure, and Record Output from Drainage Devices and Closed Drainage Systems

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1. Carry out initial procedure actions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Knock before entering.</li> <li>- Introduce yourself.</li> <li>- Identify the resident according to facility policy.</li> <li>- Explain the procedure.</li> <li>- Provide privacy.</li> <li>- Perform hand hygiene.</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Assemble equipment: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Disposable gloves.</li> <li>- Graduated measuring container.</li> <li>- Alcohol or antiseptic wipes if required.</li> <li>- Paper towel or disposable barrier.</li> <li>- Documentation sheet/electronic charting access.</li> <li>- Biohazard/disposal supplies if needed.</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Position the resident comfortably and expose drainage device while maintaining privacy.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Perform hand hygiene and apply gloves.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Inspect the drainage system: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ensure tubing is connected securely.</li> <li>- Check for kinks or tension.</li> <li>- Ensure the reservoir/device is below insertion site if required by device type.</li> <li>- Observe dressing for leakage or saturation.</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Observe drainage before emptying: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Color</li> <li>- Amount</li> <li>- Consistency</li> <li>- Odor</li> <li>- Presence of clots or unusual material.</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Place a paper towel or disposable barrier beneath the drainage outlet if needed.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Open the drainage port or stopper carefully according to manufacturer instructions and facility policy.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Empty drainage into graduated measuring container: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Avoid touching drainage outlet to container or other surfaces.</li> <li>- Maintain clean technique.</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. For suction drainage devices (such as JP or Hemovac): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Compress device according to manufacturer instructions to re-establish suction before reclosing stopper/cap if within CNA role and facility policy.</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. Ensure the drainage device is securely closed after emptying.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. Wipe outlet/port with antiseptic wipe if required by facility policy.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13. Place graduated container on flat surface and measure drainage at eye level: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Record amount in milliliters (mL).</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14. Record: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Amount</li> <li>- Time</li> <li>- Type of drainage</li> <li>- Characteristics of drainage according to facility policy.</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

<p>15. Observe and report abnormal findings promptly, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Sudden increase or decrease in drainage</li> <li>- Foul odor</li> <li>- Thick drainage</li> <li>- Bright red bleeding</li> <li>- Pus</li> <li>- Clots</li> <li>- Leakage</li> <li>- Loss of suction</li> <li>- Tubing obstruction</li> <li>- Pain</li> <li>- Swelling</li> <li>- Redness around the insertion site.</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>16. Dispose of drainage according to facility policy.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>17. Clean and store measuring equipment according to facility policy.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>18. Remove gloves and discard according to facility policy.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>19. Perform hand hygiene.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>20. Reassess drainage system:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Tubing secure</li> <li>- Suction functioning if applicable</li> <li>- Device positioned correctly</li> <li>- Resident is comfortable.</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>21. Ensure resident safety and comfort:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Bed in lowest position</li> <li>- Call light within reach</li> <li>- Privacy maintained.</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>22. Carry out ending procedure actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Dispose of supplies appropriately.</li> <li>- Document procedure and drainage measurements according to facility policy.</li> <li>- Report abnormal observations promptly to the nurse.</li> </ul>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>