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| 1. **Hand Hygiene:**
	* Hand hygiene is performed, and gloves are donned before handling soiled linens.
	* Hand hygiene is practiced before application and after removal of PPE.
2. **Handling Soiled Linens:**
	* Soiled linens are not carried against the body.
	* Soiled linens are placed in designated containers and are not shaken, preventing contamination of air and surfaces.
	* Soiled linen is double-bagged when wet, or when soiling creates the need.
	* Contaminated linen is bagged/contained where collected and sorted/rinsed only in the contaminated laundry area.
3. **Transportation and Storage:**
	* Contaminated and clean linens are transported in separate, covered carts.
	* Clean linens are transported to patient care areas on designated carts or containers.
	* Linens are not placed on the floor.
	* Linens taken into patient rooms are not returned to the cart even if they have not been used.
	* Linen containers are clearly labelled and tied securely.
	* Linen containers are not overfilled.
	* Linen containers are laundered after each use.
	* Carts or linen containers are regularly cleaned (e.g., at least once daily).
	* Linens are stored in a manner that prevents the risk of contamination by dust, debris, soiled linens, or other soiled items (linen carts should be covered).
4. **Laundry Procedures:**
	* Tear-resistant reusable rubber gloves are worn when handling and laundering soiled linens.
	* Gowns or aprons and face protection (face shield or goggles) are worn by laundry staff when laundering soiled linens if there is a risk of splashing.
	* Instructions from the washer/dryer manufacturer are followed.
	* Hot water (at least 160 degrees F) and an approved laundry detergent are used.
	* If laundry chute is in use, laundry bags are closed with no loose items. Loose items are not put in chute.
	* Note: Soiled linen bags can be laundered with the soiled linen they contained, but should be emptied of their contents prior to laundering.
	* Designated laundering area has handwashing facilities and an eye wash station.
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