Huddle Content

**3B & 3C BMT and 4B Blood Cancer**

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HUDDLE HIGHLIGHTS

April 15-24, 2016

**Cancer Care Bathroom Caddies: Patient Centered Quality Improvement Project**

**What you need to KNOW:**

* + Effective **Monday 10/4,** we are deploying bathroom caddies to be used to store patient toiletries outside of patient bathrooms. **No personal toiletry items should be kept in bathrooms from this point forward.**
  + Personal items stored in bathrooms are at risk for drain splash and spray from sinks and toilets.
  + When toiletries are stored next to sinks/toilets, they are at risk of exposure to bacteria that can live in water sources.

**What this means for YOU:**

* We need your help to encourage the use of caddies and bathroom hooks for your patients for both current and newly admitted patients.
  + Each patient will be given a caddie to store their bathroom toiletries.
  + Caddies will be stored in the patient room and not the bathroom.
  + Caddies will be brought to the bathroom area ONLY when needed for patient hygiene activities. Hooks will be utilized and the caddy will be placed AWAY from water sources.
  + When not in use, caddies will be stored in the patient room away from the handwashing sink.
  + Please educate your patients on the use and importance of their caddie.
    - Information sheet is in their admit folder/packet.
    - Please review a copy of this sheet with barcode, have the patient sign and place in their paper chart.

**Questions? Contact Infection Prevention at extension \*6539 or via iMobile**