

TRAINING PLAN – Complex Bowel Care

[Support Staff Name]		
[Trainer (RN) Name and AHPRA number]		
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Training undertaken for -Details of Participant	Name:	
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	DOB:	
Declaration by trainer: I have provided training on each element	Signature of t	rainer:
described below and deem this worker (tick one box):	Date:	
Competent		
Requiring further training (describe specific areas for follow up at end of this		
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Recognises the intensely personal nature of this type of support and makes	Features of a safe environment for working and delivering complex bowel care
sure the participant is ready to receive support.	support. • Common bowel care and stoma equipment and consumables
Implement the support plan	Implement the support plan
Checks with the participant for any specific factors or adjustments needed at	Basic anatomy of the digestive system.
the time support is provided.	Relationship between nutrition, hydration, dietary fibre, probiotics, and bowel
Follows hygiene and infection control procedures including hand washing,	motions and stoma management.
disinfecting the environment and wearing gloves.	Common causes of bowel care problems such as constipation and faecal
Delivers support in ways that are least intrusive or restrictive and that fit into	incontinence.
the participant's daily routines and preferences.	Purpose and methods of hygiene and infection control.
Supports the participant to position themselves for bowel care.	Principles for infection control and hygiene. For example, hand washing, gloves
Uses reference guides such as the Bristol Stool Form Scale to observe and	available, minimising the risk of infection in the environment.
record bowel motions, and identify any changes that require action.	Symptoms of bowel-related conditions associated with particular types of
Checks the participant is clean and comfortable and has no perianal skin	disability.
irritation.	Common types of bowel care support such as use of laxatives, enemas,
Delivers support that meets timing, frequency and type of support required.	suppositories and abdominal massage.
Skills	Knowledge
Identifies and immediately informs an appropriate health practitioner in	Requirements for handling, storing and administering bowel care-related
response to signs of poor bowel function or related problems.	medication.
Works collaboratively with others to ensure continuity and effective delivery of	• Signs and symptoms of common problems, and action required for example,
support. • For workers who support participants with a stoma:	reflux, vomiting, stomach pain, changes in bowel habits.
Supports the participant to clean and maintain healthy condition of the stoma	Signs and symptoms, and action required in case of autonomic dysreflexia.
site.	When and how to involve or get advice from the appropriate health
Replaces and disposes of ileostomy and colostomy bags as required.	practitioner.
Monitors and records information required by the support plan such as	Purpose of ileostomy and colostomy stomas and related equipment, and
outputs, hydration, and appearance of the stoma.	consumables such as stoma bags, skin sealants, barriers or powders.
Identifies and responds to problems such as blockages and immediately	Common methods to clean and protect skin around the stoma.
informs an appropriate health practitioner in response to indicators of	Characteristics of a healthy stoma and how these can change over time.
deteriorating health condition of the participant.	Indicators and action required to respond to common health problems at the
Actively involves the participant in their support, as outlined in their support	stoma site, such as wetness or signs of infection or inflammation.
plan, and to the extent they choose.	Reporting responsibilities, including handover, recording observations and
	incident reporting
Review support	Review support
Checks with the participant to discuss any changes needed to the bowel care	Procedures and responsibilities for requesting review of bowel care support
support they are receiving.	
Skills	Knowledge



• Identifies, documents and reports information where a support plan is not	
meeting a participant's needs.	
Supports the participant to provide feedback and request changes to their	
support plan as required.	

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If further training/demonstration of competency required – please list specific elements for follow up here:

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