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**PROCEDURE SUBJECT:**

Pick Up and Transportation of Soiled Laundry with Possible Lice or Bed Bug Infestation

**PURPOSE:**

To provide instruction for staff on the pick up and transportation of soiled laundry with possible lice or bed bug infestation.

<p><b><u>PROCEDURE:</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Put on Personal Protective Equipment (PPE).</li> <li>2. Soiled plastic lined laundry bag should be off the floor and close to the door of the patient room.</li> <li>3. Remove the soiled laundry bag from the laundry bag hamper.</li> <li>4. Tie the plastic liner so it is sealed and then close the laundry bag.</li> <li>5. Replace the bag on the laundry bag hamper with a clean empty plastic lined laundry bag.</li> <li>6. Remove the soiled laundry bag from the room and place on the soiled laundry collection cart.</li> <li>7. Remove your PPE and use hand sanitizer.</li> </ol>	<p><b><u>TEACHING POINTS:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Following infection control guidelines for PPE.</li> <li>• Soiled laundry from rooms with suspected bed bug or lice precautions should remain in the room until transportation directly to the laundry department can be completed.</li> <li>• Rooms placed on suspected bed bug or lice precautions must have a regular pick up service to remove soiled laundry from the room.</li> </ul>
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<b>8.</b> Transport the soiled laundry directly to the laundry department.	
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**EQUIPMENT/SUPPLIES:**

- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
- Laundry bag hamper
- Laundry bags
- Plastic liners for laundry bags
- Cart for transportation of soiled laundry bags

**REFERENCES:**

Bed Bug Management in Community Care - [CLI.8011.SG.002](#)