Lab Equipment List for a Living Classroom

Guidelines for Equipment

Equipment Ratios

- Larger item ratio: 1 item / 10 students. Larger items are considered beds or wheelchairs.
- Smaller item ratio: 1 item / 5 students. Small items include catheter supplies, ostomy supplies, and vital sign equipment.

Equipment Maintenance

- Keep equipment in good working order.
- Plan to replenish consumable items with each group of students. Examples of consumable items are personal protective equipment and incontinent supplies.

Equipment Tracking

- Develop a way to track consumable items used by each group of students.
- Identify and document if students use equipment and supplies within the LTC home during integration activities. For example, you can track usage of the shower room or washers and dryers.
- How often do students have access to the lab/equipment for practice?

Equipment Agreements

- Identify if the equipment is rented, owned, or borrowed and who is responsible for the equipment.
- Equipment can often be obtained through local LTC homes, hospitals, or community agencies with excess items they want to repurpose that are still in good working order.
- If needed check with your local service clubs such as Lions Club or Kiwanis to see if they have equipment that could be rented/borrowed.

Equipment

Furniture

- Hospital or LTC bed(s), includes bed rails
- Overbed table(s)
- Bedside table(s)
- Assorted Household Management Equipment
    - Washer
    - Dryer
    - Iron
    - Kitchen facilities
    - Commercial bathtub

Mobility Aid Equipment

- Wheelchair (not a transport chair)
- Walkers:
    - 2 wheeled
    - 4 wheeled
    - 4 points
- Canes
    - Quad
    - Single point
- Crutches
- Transfer belts (various sizes)
- Transfer board

Vital Sign Equipment

- Dual stethoscopes
- Single stethoscopes
- Blood pressure cuffs
- Electronic blood pressure machine
- Pulse oximeter
- Digital thermometers
- Tympanic thermometers
- Access to a vital sign tower is helpful

Personal Protective Equipment

- Gowns
- Gloves
- Masks
- Googles

Other Equipment

- Sharps container
- Mannequin (adult, full body, interchangeable genitalia)
- Baby mannequins
- Mechanical lifts
    - Hoyer
    - Ceiling
    - Sara
    - Sit to stand
- Assorted types/sizes of slings
- IV pole
- Assorted Dressing
    - 2x2 gauze
    - 4x4 gauze
    - Tegaderm
    - Abdominal (ABD) pads
- Medication Equipment
    - Dosette,
    - Blister packs,
    - Pill splitter,
    - Sample saline bags and IV tubing
    - Hot water bottle
    - Ice packs

Supplies

Adaptive Devices

- Sample eyeglasses
- Sample hearing aids
- Grab sticks
- Posey boots

Baby Supplies

- Diapers
- Bottles
- Baby clothes
- Swaddling blankets

Bathing Supplies

- Washbasins
- Assorted white face cloths
- Hand towels
- Bath towels
- Peri-cloths (in a different colour than white)
- Samples of disposable bath wipes/cloths
- Dry shampoo
- Shower Caps
- Peri-care soaps

Linens

- Fitted sheets
- Flat sheets
- Flannel/cotton blankets
- Bedspread/comforter
- Reusable pads/lifts
- Bed cradle

Catheter Care Supplies

- Night bags
- Leg bags
- Assorted sizes for in-dwelling catheters and intermittent catheters,
- Condom catheters
- Catheter plugs
- Catheter clips
- Catheter anchors

Feeding Supplies

- Adaptive utensils, plates, and cups
- Shirt protectors, and aprons
- Thickening powder

Incontinent Products

- Disposable pads (two sets per bed)
- Briefs
- Pull ups

Nail Care

- Emery boards
- Files
- Clippers (students may bring in their own)

Oral Care Supplies

- Dentures
- Denture cups
- Swabs
- Toothbrushes/toothpaste (student may bring their own)
- Kidney basin

Ostomy Care Supplies

- Assorted types of flanges
- One-piece ostomy bags
- Two-piece ostomy bags

Oxygen Care Supplies

- Nasal cannula
- Nebulizer
- O_2 masks
- Access to O_2 portable tanks (at LTC home)
- Concentrators (at LTC home)

Personal Care Supplies

- Hair brush (student may bring their own)
- Bedside hair wash basin
- Compression stocking
  - Full leg
  - To the knee
- Assorted sample fleet enemas,
- Specimen swabs
- Suppositories

Shaving

- Electric shaver
- Blade razors (students may bring their own)
- Shaving cream

Urinary Supplies

- Bed Pan
  - Regular
  - Fracture
- Male and female urinals
- Graduated pitchers
- Nuns' caps
- Urine sample containers

Other

- After death kit/shroud
- Adult clothing
- Hospital gown

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