

Diapering Procedures

Best practices based on Caring for Our Children, 4th Edition



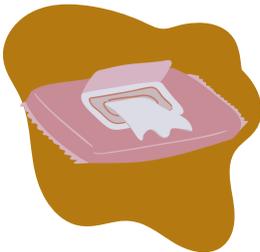
Prepare

Wash your hands using proper procedures.
Gather all needed supplies, including clean clothes if needed.
Place supplies near the diapering surface, but not on it.
If using a paper liner, stretch it across diapering area.



Access Diaper

Bring child to diapering area.
Remove soiled clothing, if applicable, and place in plastic bag.
Open diaper and leave under child while cleaning.



Clean child

Clean child's bottom, front to back, using one wipe for each cleaning swipe.
Throw away soiled diaper and wipes.*
If using a paper liner that is soiled, fold over to create a clean surface.
Throw away gloves, if used.*
Use a fresh wipe to clean your hands.
Use another fresh wipe to clean child's hands.
Throw away wipes.*



Redress child

Put on clean diaper.
Apply diaper cream with tissue, if needed. Throw away tissue.*
Redress the child.
Wash child's hands using proper procedures.



Clean area

Throw away paper liner, if used.*
Wash diapering surface with a soapy water solution and rinse.
Spray disinfecting solution over entire diapering surface.
If using bleach/water solution, leave on for 2 minutes before drying.
If using commercial product, follow manufacturer instructions.
Wash your hands following proper procedures.

Frequency: Diapers should be visually checked and changed as needed, and at least every 2 hours .

*Trash can must be covered, lined, and hands free.

TEACHING TIP:

TALK, LAUGH, AND SING WITH CHILDREN
DURING THE DIAPERING PROCESS!