

Genital Area Care



- Care of genitalia is important in adults and children.
- Parents should take care of genital hygiene of infants and children.
- Adolescents should receive proper education in a scientific way.



During infancy and childhood

- Wash frequently with water after passing urine and motion. Wet wipes can be avoided, damp cotton wool be used for cleaning.
- Change Diapers at regular intervals
- Avoid harsh or medicated soaps
- Avoid creams with steroid combinations or talc.
- Clean Perianal area from front to back after stools to avoid urinary infection.
 Avoid Vigorous cleaning.





Adolescents and adults

- Practice frequent change of sanitary napkins/cloth
- Tampons or menstrual cups should be used cautiously
- Prefer trimming of pubic hair over razor or epilation.
- Chemical epilators-best avoided.
- Immediately seek medical help in case of abnormal discharge or any sores
- Avoid self medication
- Avoid using deodorants or sprays.
- Wash frequently with plain water after passing urine and dry the area. Do not use same towel/cloth for wiping. Can use disposable tissue.
- Avoid use of fancy commercial washes
- Avoid vaginal douching and cleaning inside of vagina as it is a self cleaning organ.







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