

Competency: Hand Hygiene

Competency Statement	Method of Validation
Demonstrates proper technique for performing hand hygiene using soap and water and alcohol-based hand sanitizer. Verbalizes knowledge of hand hygiene in preventing healthcare-associated infections.	D = Demonstrate V = Verbalize

Critical Behaviors for Competency

- Verbalize knowledge of the importance of hand hygiene in preventing healthcareassociated infections.
- Demonstrate appropriate hand hygiene technique using the Hand Hygiene Competency Validation/Audit Tool.
- Frequency: Suggested on hire, as an ongoing yearly competency, as needed if unit compliance is below %, and if lapses in hand hygiene compliance contributed to a serious safety event.

Competency Resource:

• VDH: Hand Hygiene Competency Validation/Audit Tool

Employee's Name:	Date:	
(Print full name and include credentials)		
Validator's Name:	Date:	
(Print full name and include credentials)		

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