### CAUTI ED Rounding Tool

*ED Charge nurse, CAUTI team lead, Infection Preventionist or Unit Manager might use this tool to facilitate a conversation around catheters with ED staff at a designated time each day or week, such as a shift change or daily safety huddle.*

“We are participating in a project to help reduce the number of catheter associated urinary tract infections in our hospital, and will be taking time regularly to talk about our catheterization practices and learn how we can improve. Can one of you tell me about the last catheter you inserted in the ED?”

- **Date:**
- 1. **Was there an appropriate indication?**  
  - **Yes** | **No**
  - **Appropriate**
    - Urinary retention or obstruction
    - Immobilized for trauma or surgery
    - Accurate measurement in critically ill patients (expected to be admitted to ICU)
    - Fluid monitoring in surgery
    - Incontinence with open sacral/perineal wounds
    - End of life, hospice
  - **Not Appropriate**
    - Incontinence
    - Morbid obesity
    - Dementia/confusion
    - Patient request
    - Healthcare worker convenience
    - Urine specimen collection
- 2. **Was there a physician order?**  
  - Yes | No
- 3. **Were alternatives considered?**  
  - Yes | No
  - Bladder scan
  - Condom catheter
  - Intermittent catheterization for non-obstructive retention
  - Urinal, “hat”, or straight cath for samples
- 4. **Was it a one or two person insertion?**  
  - One | Two
- 5. **Was the catheter inserted appropriately?**  
  - Yes | No
  - Hand hygiene before and after procedure
  - Sterile gloves, drapes, sponges, aseptic sterile solution for cleaning, single use packet lubricant
  - Smallest catheter to avoid urethral trauma
  - Aseptic insertion technique (no contamination during procedure)
  - Proper securement of catheter post procedure
  - Closed drainage system, bag below bladder, and no kinks in line post procedure
- 6. **Was the patient admitted?**  
  - Yes | No
- 7. **If so, was the catheter removed if no longer indicated?**  
  - Yes | No
- 8. **If the catheter was not removed, was the catheter communicated to the inpatient unit with indication and plan for removal?**  
  - Yes | No
- 9. **Is there anything you think you might have done differently or better?**  
  - Yes | No

Have we learned anything we might share at a staff meeting? Notes: