**Purpose**

To provide resident choice in bathing type and frequency

# **Procedure**

1. During the admission process, residents are told of the bathing policy and are asked about their bathing preferences (i.e.: tub/shower) and the frequency at which they wish to bathe.
2. If the resident is unable to make this determination, attempts are made to obtain this information from someone who would know the resident’s bathing preferences.
3. Changes to bathing frequency are made upon resident/responsible party request.
4. This policy is communicated to staff during orientation.