

Education Requirements & Competencies

One-Piece Ostomy Pouching System Change

Established Urostomy with Ureteral Stent(s)

Learning Plan

Document Indications for Use

This document establishes the educational requirements, as per Health Authority, for Licensed Practical Nurses (LPNs) who takes on the responsibility for doing a one-piece ostomy pouching system change for a client with an established urostomy (greater than 8 weeks post-op) with ureteral stent(s) in place. Note: a urostomy is also called an ileal conduit.

Practice Level

British Columbia LPNs:

- Entry level competency: may change a one-piece ostomy pouching system for a post-op or established ostomy without a rod or ureteral stent(s) in place.
- With Health Authority/agency approved education and achievement of competency, may change a one-piece ostomy pouching system for an established ostomy which has ureteral stent(s) in place

Yukon LPNs:

- Refer to organizational policies and practice in accordance with regulatory bodies.

Prerequisites

Competency in doing a one-piece pouching change for an urostomy which does not have ureteral stent(s) in place.

Learning Plan

The learning plan consists of activities to assist knowledge acquisition and skill development to remove and apply a one-piece ostomy pouching system for an established urostomy with ureteral stent(s) in place. The plan also identifies resources to support the learning activities.

Competency Checklist

The checklist consists of both verbalization of theory and demonstration of skill to show competency related to the removal and application of a one-piece ostomy pouching system for an established urostomy with ureteral stent(s) in place. The use of the Competency Checklist is as per health authority/agency.

Definitions

Competency: The integration and application of knowledge, skills and judgment required for safe and appropriate performance in an individual's practice.

Nurse Mentor: A Clinical Nurse Educator, NSWOC or a designated nurse (RN, RPN, LPN) competent in the skill being learnt.

References

British Columbia College of Nurses and Midwives. (June 2025). *LPN Scope of Practice*.

<https://www.bccnm.ca/LPN/ScopePractice/Pages/Default.aspx>

Document Management

Created By:	British Columbia Provincial Nursing Ostomy Committee & NSWOCs from across all Health Authorities.
Publication Date	2026 January
Revision Date(s)	
Review Dates(s)	

One-Piece Ostomy Pouching System Change Established Urostomy with Ureteral Stent(s)

Learning Plan

Learning Activity	Resources	Date Done
1. Review health authority/agency specific policies and practice standards for removing and applying a one-piece ostomy pouching system for an established urostomy with ureteral stent(s) in place.	Discuss with your Clinical Educator/Nurse Mentor.	
2. Read the Appendix A of the procedure which lays out the steps for removing and applying a one-piece ostomy pouching system for an established urostomy with ureteral stent(s) in place.	Changing One-Piece Ostomy Pouching System: Procedure .	
3. Observe the pouching change being done by your Nurse Mentor.	Plan this activity with your Nurse Mentor.	
4. Perform the pouching change with your Nurse Mentor present.	Plan the activity with your Nurse Mentor.	
5. As per your health authority/agency process, with your Nurse Mentor, complete the competency checklist.	One-Piece Pouching System Change for an Established Urostomy with Ureteral Stent(s) in Place Checklist .	
6. Complete any additional competency validation/compliance requirements of the health authority/agency.	Discuss with your Clinical Educator/Nurse Mentor.	