Tennessee Diapering Process

The diapering process has been revised. The emphasis is still on keeping the child safe and providing quality interactions while minimizing the spread of germs. When diapering children, you may need to take additional steps to minimize contamination. For example, you may need to use a wipe to clean your hands, the child’s hands or the table before putting on the child’s clean diaper. By cleaning up any gross soil, you help minimize the spread of germs.

Diapering process:

Organize your supplies including diapers, wipes, ointment and gloves (if preferred)

Bring the child to the table, remove the diaper and clean the child’s bottom

Dispose of diaper, wipes and gloves (if used) in a hands-free trash can and clean up any gross soil

Diaper the child

Wash the child’s hands with soap and running water and let the child go back to playing

Clean the table and sanitize it
How to clean and sanitize a table - Clean the table with a soap and water mixture; then sanitize it with a bleach water solution and leave it for the appropriate time or let it air dry. If you are using a manufactured sanitizer, read and follow the manufacturer’s instructions carefully.

Wash your hands with soap and running water
If the same sink is used for hand washing after diapering/toileting as well as for other uses, it must be sanitized after hand washing related to diapering/toileting.

If you have questions about the revised process, please contact your local Child Care Resource and Referral or TECTA site.

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