



COMMUNICATION / PUBLIC HEALTH STANDARD 12

Draping

Undrape the Client for Treatment

Conditions:

Given the client is positioned for the treatment

Task:

Undrape the client for treatment

Standard:

Quality / Technical:

- So that the draping is secured.
- So that if the client requests that the draping be rearranged for his/her comfort, you accommodate the request as long as you are not uncomfortable with any body parts being exposed.
- So that female breasts are not exposed except when being treated in accordance with Technique Standard 15 and 16
- So that the client's genitalia or gluteal cleft are not exposed.
- Notwithstanding all the above, it is acceptable for a female client to be so exposed within the circumstances of labour or child delivery, if
 - The accommodation is required to effectively deliver massage therapy services requested by the client or her designate,
 - The client or her designate directly request this accommodation,
 - The therapist has ensured that consent is properly obtained with the accommodation recorded, and
 - All reasonable efforts continue to be made by the therapist to ensure privacy and respect for the client.
- Infants may be treated in an undraped fashion with consent of parent or substitute decision maker.

Quality / Interpersonal:

- So that you inform the client of what area of the body you will uncover and treat before uncovering.
- So that you enquire as to the clients comfort and adjust support as necessary

Instruct and/or Assist the Client to Change Position

Conditions:

Given that you require that the client change positions during treatment

Task:

Instruct and/or assist the client to change position



Standard:

Quality / Technical:

- So that the client is informed on why and how to change position.
- So that the sheets and pillows are secured for client comfort.
- So that you secure the top sheet to ensure the client's body is not exposed at any time.

Quality / Interpersonal:

- So that the client is asked about his/ her level of comfort after he/she is in the new position.
- So that all efforts are made to maintain respectful privacy of the client by use of covering, while assisting him/her to change position.

Safety:

- Ensuring that the client does not fall off the massage equipment while changing position