

## **Daily Antimicrobial Skin Treatment**

Your skin naturally has lots of bacteria on it. This is normal and those bacteria are harmless most of the time.

In the hospital you might have procedures that could allow those bacteria to get inside your body. Those bacteria could cause an infection. To prevent infection, we will give you an antimicrobial skin treatment every day. The treatment uses a special soap called chlorhexidine gluconate (klor-HEKS-eh-deen GLOO-koh-nayt) or CHG.

## Who Needs CHG Treatment?

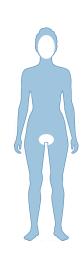
CHG is used for patients:

- In the intensive care unit (ICU)
- With a central line, or
- Who test positive for Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA) bacteria.

## Here's What to Expect:

- We will treat you with CHG solution every day.
- The solution is applied with a washcloth.
- We treat your entire body except for your face and genitals.
- The solution is wiped off.
- Your skin may feel sticky.
- The solution protects you for up to 24 hours.





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Tell your nurse if you have a chlorhexidine allergy or have had a reaction to CHG in the past. Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns.