## **Tepid Sponging**

- 1. Explain procedure to patient and provide privacy
- 2. Prepare trolley and send to bed side
- 3. Wash and dry hands
- 4. Take patient temperature, pulse and respiration
- 5. Arrange top bed clothes leaving top sheet
- 6. Protect bottom sheet and undress the patient
- 7. Wash and dry face to refresh patient
- 8. Leave a flannel rung out of cold water on the patient's forehead
- 9. Place 6 pieces of flannel into basin or tepid water
- 10. Place a wet flannel in each axilla and groin (wrung the out tightly)
- 11. Change the wet flannel frequently to keep the tepid
- 12. Sponge upper arms, trunk, lower limbs and back in strikes leaving some drops of water on the skin
- 13. Change water as often as necessary
- 14. Leave patient for 15-20 minutes

Name of staff(MO/NO/CO/COI/MIDWIFE/ETC)

- 15. Dress patient up and recheck temperature and chart
- 16. Thank and make patient comfortable
- 17. Wash and dry hands and serve cold drink if necessary
- 18. Document procedure and report findings

## **SIGNATORIES**

Name: Department in charge	sign	Date:
Name: Nursing Officer in charge	sign	Date:
Name: Hospital Administrator	sign	Date: