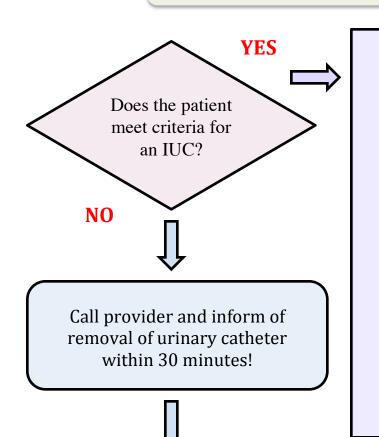
## Nurse-driven Indwelling Urinary Catheter (IUC) Removal Algorithm



## **Criteria for Indwelling Urinary Catheter**

- Routine postoperative use reassess need in 24 hours
- Patient receiving epidural\* reassess in 24 hours
- Acute urinary retention or obstruction reassess in 24 hours (72)
- Deeply sedated reassess in 72 hours
- Need for accurate urinary output in critically ill patient (insert now and reassess in 72 hours)
- Uncleared spine thoracic or lumbar (insert now and reassess in 72 hours)
- Urological, gynecological, or perineal surgery (insert now and reassess daily)
- Open sacral or perineal wounds (insert now and reassess daily)
- To improve end-of-life care
- Chronic indwelling catheter (assess according to post-Removal Algorithm)



\* may not be indicated

Follow post-IUC removal algorithm to prevent reinsertion

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Continue to monitor IUC necessity every shift and during transitions in care

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