

# Diapering

To prevent disease, proper procedures must be followed before, during and after diapering a child.

- 1.** Collect all necessary supplies.
- 2.** Handle the child and clothing to prevent contamination.
- 3.** Remove soiled diaper and clean child. (Remember children cannot be left unattended while on the diapering table.)
- 4.** Place a clean diaper on the child and then put the outer clothing back on the child.
- 5.** Immediately wash your hands and the child's hands, using soap and warm running water. Return the child to a supervised area.
- 6.** Clean the diapering surface and any other contaminated surfaces using soapy water and disposable towels.
- 7.** Remove soap residue with clear water.
- 8.** Sanitize the contaminated areas with an approved sanitizing solution\* and allow surface to air dry.
- 9.** Wash your hands before returning to other duties.

\*The most common sanitizing solution is a chlorine solution of approximately 1 teaspoon of unscented household bleach to one gallon of water (100-200 ppm chlorine). Other sanitizers may also be used with the approval of DHSS.

