

Questionnaire TAGS hygiene

The following questionnaire has been designed to aid TAGS (the largest European consortium for textiles solutions for age related day to day problems) to understand the needs and common problems of people receiving various levels of care. By completing this short questionnaire you will be participating in a Europe wide survey aimed to improve the quality of life for people in care and carers alike. Participants will remain anonymous and all answers will remain within the TAGS consortium, there will be no reference to any specific care home or participant in any published work.

Participant information

Age _____ Sex _____ Job description _____

Type of institute (medical/care only) _____

Firstly we would like to know a rough profile the people in your care, we will ask you to group them by age and mobility. So that carers with large numbers of residents can participate we would ask that you try to estimate the percentages of people that fit into each group.

How many residents are in the facility at which you work? _____

What percentage are; male _____ female _____

How many people do you care for on a day to day basis? _____

Of these people, please try to estimate the percentage in each of the following age groups.

Age groups	≤65	66-80	81-95	≥96
%				

The first question relates to your opinions about hygiene products used in the care facility either by the residents, themselves or with assistance from the carers, please place a tick next to the hygiene products used and rate their usefulness from 1 (good) to 5 (bad) put any comments on the products in the space provided. Add in any other textile based hygiene products you can think off and rate them similarly.

Disposable products	Used	Good – Bad	Comments
General (surface) wipes			
Wet		1 2 3 4 5	
Dry		1 2 3 4 5	
Personal wipes (wet wipes)			
Wet		1 2 3 4 5	
Dry		1 2 3 4 5	
Ostomy products		1 2 3 4 5	
Incontinence pads and products		1 2 3 4 5	
Sanitary pads/products		1 2 3 4 5	
Cotton buds		1 2 3 4 5	
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Non-Disposable			
Towels		1 2 3 4 5	
Handkerchiefs		1 2 3 4 5	
Flannels		1 2 3 4 5	
Antimicrobial Socks/clothing		1 2 3 4 5	
Wash bag		1 2 3 4 5	
Mops		1 2 3 4 5	
Dusters		1 2 3 4 5	
		1 2 3 4 5	
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Any comments on hygiene products that you may have can be put in the spaces provided, think about:
 Disposability

Durability

Maintenance/cleaning of products

Ease of use

What level is the level of mobility of the people in your care?

Mobility level	Description	% of residents
A	Slight or no mobility problems (i.e. just a slight lack of strength and range of movement)	
B	Moderate mobility problems (loss of the use of one or two limbs able to move with aids and retains some dexterity)	
C	Severe mobility problems (requires help with all tasks or remains bed ridden)	

For the next questions please indicate how strongly you agree with the statement using the following scale.

1	2	3	4	5	6
Strongly disagree					Strongly agree

Answer for each of the categories of mobility determined above (1, 2, and 3) and for male and female residents.

Please think about how your residents feel and indicate your agreement with each of the following statements.

EXAMPLE: Residents like gardening

Mobility		A	B	C
Agreement (1 – 6)	male	1 2 3 4 5 6	1 2 3 4 5 6	1 2 3 4 5 6
	female	1 2 3 4 5 6	1 2 3 4 5 6	1 2 3 4 5 6

For these Questions (1-9) only consider those residents that have the cognitive capacity to express their opinions, residents with advanced dementia, Alzheimer's or other cognitive impairment are considered in further studies.

Q 1. Residents express concern about their level of personal hygiene.

Mobility		A	B	C
Agreement (1 – 6)	male	1 2 3 4 5 6	1 2 3 4 5 6	1 2 3 4 5 6
	female	1 2 3 4 5 6	1 2 3 4 5 6	1 2 3 4 5 6

Q 2. Residents prefer to try and perform hygiene tasks by themselves.

Mobility		A					B					C							
Agreement (1 – 6)	male	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6
	female	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6

Q 3. Residents express concern about their appearance.

Mobility		A					B					C							
Agreement (1 – 6)	male	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6
	female	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6

Q 4. Residents express concern about their odour.

Mobility		A					B					C							
Agreement (1 – 6)	male	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6
	female	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6

Q 5. Residents express concern about the condition of their skin.

Mobility		A					B					C							
Agreement (1 – 6)	male	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6
	female	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6

Q 6. Residents care about hand hygiene.

Mobility		A					B					C							
Agreement (1 – 6)	male	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6
	female	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6

Q 7. Residents express concern about the cleanliness of their hair.

Mobility		A					B					C							
Agreement (1 – 6)	male	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6
	female	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6

Q 8. Residents appear shy when undressing.

Mobility		A					B					C							
Agreement (1 – 6)	male	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6
	female	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6

Q 9. Residents can feel frustrated or annoyed during personal hygiene practices.

Mobility		A					B					C							
Agreement (1 – 6)	male	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6
	female	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6

Please add any other opinions you have on the feelings of the residents during hygiene related tasks (feel free to also comment on residents with severe cognitive impairment).

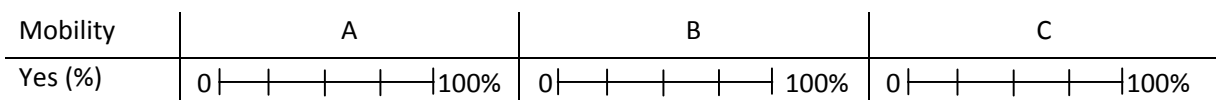
The following questions relate to practicalities of hygiene routines. Please indicate **the percentage of residents that can perform the following tasks** by making a single mark on the response bar.

e.g. residents tidy their own room



If it's not applicable for a certain group then please put a cross through the response bar.

Q 10. Brush own hair.



Q 11. Clean own teeth/dentures.

Mobility	A	B	C
Yes (%)	0 100%	0 100%	0 100%

Q 12. Bathe/shower without assistance.

Mobility	A	B	C
Yes (%)	0 100%	0 100%	0 100%

Q 13. Use textile washing products i.e. flannels textile loofahs etc.

Mobility	A	B	C
Yes (%)	0 100%	0 100%	0 100%

Q 14. Dry themselves.

Mobility	A	B	C
Yes (%)	0 100%	0 100%	0 100%

Q 15. Management of own incontinence problems (if incontinent).

Mobility	A	B	C
Yes (%)	0 100%	0 100%	0 100%

Q 16. Wash their own hands.

Mobility	A	B	C
Yes (%)	0 100%	0 100%	0 100%

Q 17. Shave/use hair removal products if applicable.

Mobility	A	B	C
Yes (%)	0 100%	0 100%	0 100%

Q 18. Contribute to hygienic practices (i.e. recognise spills, dirt build up, need for washing)

Mobility	A	B	C
Yes (%)	0 100%	0 100%	0 100%



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Please add any notes you may have to the practicalities of hygiene tasks
