Infections are a leading cause of illness and death in nursing homes.

These infections include catheter-associated urinary tract infections (CAUTIs).

**Appropriate Indications for a Urinary Catheter**

- To assist healing of stage III or stage IV perineal and sacral wounds in incontinent residents
- Hospice or palliative care associated with intractable pain
- Chronic and acute urinary retention or obstruction

Would you like to know more? Participation in the AHRQ Safety Program for Long-Term Care: CAUTI gives you access to informative resources and events such as educational webinars and state-level training sessions that will help you to provide safer care for your residents. Talk to the project lead in your facility, or visit www.ltcsafety.org (login and password: ltcsafety).

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