

## Standard Steps for All Nursing Procedures

At the **beginning** of the procedure:

Step A – Mentally review the steps of the task; perform the task according to protocol.

Step B – Check the order, collect the equipment and supplies, and wash your hands.

Step C – Identify and prepare the patient.

Step D – Provide privacy and institute safety precautions; arrange the supplies and equipment.

Step E – Use Standard Precautions and aseptic technique as appropriate.

At the **end** of the procedure:

Step X – Remove gloves and other protective equipment

Step Y – Restore the unit; collect the used equipment; dispose of, clean, or store items in the proper places.

Step Z – Record and report the procedure.

(See Appendix D in Fundamental Textbook for step details)