

Burden of using intermittent catheters in people with spinal cord injury

PURPOSE OF THIS STUDY

The purpose of this study is to obtain a realistic picture of the microbiological burden associated with catheter re-use; to provide evidence for time spent on bladder management; and to provide evidence for time spent cleaning catheters for re-use.

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE

You may be eligible to participate if you are a person with spinal cord injury who uses intermittent catheterization to empty your bladder and are willing to reuse the same catheter for a period of three days.

WHAT IS INVOLVED

Participants will collect the study materials from the International Collaboration on Repair Discoveries (ICORD) and provide an initial urine sample. Over the course of three days, participants will take daily urine and cotton swab (microbial culture) samples which will be collected from their home or accommodation via courier. Participants will return to ICORD (between 7-15 days after the 3-day trial) to provide a follow-up urine sample and collect the study remuneration (\$100 CAD).

CONTACT INFORMATION

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STUDY TIME/ DURATION

Ongoing

STUDY LOCATION

International
Collaboration on
Repair Discoveries
(ICORD)

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To learn more about this study, visit vchri.ca/participate

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