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## **Good Skin Care**

- Wash all new clothes before you wear them.
- Wash all new sheets before sleeping on them.
- Use fragrance-free mild laundry detergents:
  - Use **liquid** detergent.
  - Rinse clothes twice. Do not use fabric softener.
- Wear loose-fitting cotton-blend clothing.
- Keep fingernails short to prevent scratching.
- Wear sunscreen and avoid sunburns.
- Immediately after swimming or using a hot tub, take a bath or shower using mild soap (e.g., Dove).
- Work and sleep in comfortable surroundings with a fairly constant temperature and humidity level.
  Sweating can cause itching.
- Take at least one bath or shower per day. Use warm (not hot) water for at least 20 minutes.
  - Do **not** use a washcloth.
- Gently pat dry and **immediately** (within 2–5 minutes), apply moisturizer or skin medication on damp skin. This helps seal in moisture and prevent dryness.
  - Do **not** apply moisturizer **over** the top of any prescribed skin medication.

## **Recommended Moisturizers**

- 1. Eucerin
- 2. Vanicream
- 3. Cetaphil Cream
- 4. Aquaphor Cream

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