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Purpose	Summarizes best practice for making birthing bed.  Birthing beds have additional linen than a generic bed.  If you haven't already done so update Oculys when the room is cleaned and the bed is made.	
Background		
Required Materials	Bed linen which consists of:  • three large soaker pads  • one fitted sheet  • one top sheet and one bedspread/blanket  • one or two pillowcases	

### The Process:

Step		
1.	Perform hand hygiene.	WRHA Routine Practices Policy: https://policies.wrha.mb.ca/policy/120/infection-prevention-control/3065/90-00-060.pdf
2.	Gather bed linen.	
3.	Raise the bed to mid-waist level.	
4.	Lower rails on both sides.	
5.	Lay the large soaker pad on the lower section of the mattress. Lift the mattress to tuck the pad under the bar.	
6.	Put on the fitted sheet. Ensure all four corners are tucked under the mattress.	
7.	Lay two large soaker pads on top of the fitted sheet.	
8.	Lay the top sheet in the centre of the mattress close to the edge of the bed.	
9.	Unfold the sheet leaving a minimum of two feet at the foot of the bed to enable you to tuck it in later.	
10.	Walk around the bed to unfold the sheet flat on the other side.	

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11.	Repeat steps 8 – 10 for the bedspread/blanket.	
12.	Tuck the bottom of the sheet underneath the mattress.	
13.	At the foot of the bed, lift the sheets approximately 12 inches from the corner, tuck sheets tight and bring the bedspread down to finish the corner.	
14.	Put the pillow into a clean pillowcase. Place on head of bed.	After cleaning and disinfecting, excess pillows can be stored as per facility process.
15.	Perform hand hygiene.	