BODY ODOR, BAD BREATH AND SMELLY FEET (AND WHAT YOU CAN DO ABOUT IT

- Why should I care about hygiene?

 / Being clean helps stop the spread of germs and lowers your chance of getting infections.
- ✓ You will look and smell better. You may feel better about yourself – and the people around you will appreciate it!



How often should I shower or bathe?

- If possible, shower or bathe on most days – and always after playing sports, doing physical work or playing outside on a hot day.
- Be sure to wash all parts of your body with soap.

Did you know that sharing towels, brushes and other personal items with friends or teammates can spread germs and serious skin infections?
Keep your personal items personal!

How often should I change my clothes?

- Start your day with clean socks and underwear.
- Change your clothes after doing anything that makes you sweaty or dirty.
- Wash your gym clothes at least once a week.

Yikes, my feet smell What do I do?

- If you bathe every day and wear clean socks and your feet still smell, try:
- Letting your shoes air out.
- Wearing socks to help absorb odor.
- Using a foot powder or spray for your feet and shoes.
- Trimming your toenails and keeping them clean.



When should I wash my hair?

- Everyone's hair is different. Pay attention to how your hair looks, smells and feels.
- Some hair is oily and needs to be washed often, or even every day. If you have dry hair, you may want to wash it less often.

Do I need to use deodorant?

- Everyone sweats. It's normal.
- Deodorant helps cover up the smell of sweat. Antiperspirant helps stop or dry up sweat.
- If you bathe and change your clothes every day, you may not need deodorant. But if you find yourself sweating a lot, it can help.



How do I get fresh breath?

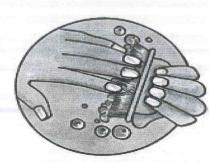
- Brush your teeth at least twice a day, and floss at least once a day.
- If you wear braces, you may need to do more. Always follow your dentist or orthodontist's instructions.

What about my face?

- √ Washing your face twice a day can help keep your skin clear.
- ✓ People who wear makeup should wash it off before going to bed.

What's the big deal about hand washing?

- ✓ It is the single most important thing you can do to prevent colds flu, stomachaches and more.
- Wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. Wash before you eat or fix food. Wash after using the bathroom and after you sneeze or cough.
- Be sure to clean your nails too



I wash but I still smell. What can I do?

If you bathe regularly, brush your teeth, wash your clothes, change your socks and shoes, and use deodorant – and you still have a problem with body, foot or mouth odor – talk to a doctor, nurse or health care provider. In rare cases, body odor can be a sign of another health problem.