Potty Chairs

The use of a potty chair is generally not recommended because of concerns related to waste disposal, storage of the chairs themselves and potential for cross contamination. However, there may be times where a child requires the use of a potty chair based on their individual needs. In these circumstances, policies and procedures for potty use must be created to support staff. Potty chairs must be:

- Cleaned and disinfected after each use.
- To empty the potty:
    - Put on gloves
    - Empty contents into the toilet carefully, to avoid splashing
    - Clean potty with soapy water and empty into toilet, flush toilet. Avoid spraying the potty as this can aerosolize and contaminate surfaces. A moisten single use towel is recommended.
    - Disinfect potty using appropriate sanitizer and contact time
    - Remove gloves and wash your hands
    - Let potty air dry
- Store in clean area (Do not store or use a potty chair in any activity areas, feeding areas, or food preparation areas)
- It is recommended that potties are a personal item (stored separately from another potty) and each child should have their own if possible
- Potty chairs must be disinfected using a dedicated sink. Sinks located in food areas are not permitted.