



Standard Work: Cleaning of Non-Critical Shared Equipment

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Performed By: Point of care staff in program area	Other Roles Involved: Support Service staff involved in cleaning process
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Process Summary:


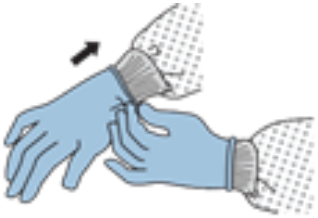
Cleaning of equipment occurs whenever contaminated, between patient encounters, and prior to movement through clinical spaces and for use in another area.

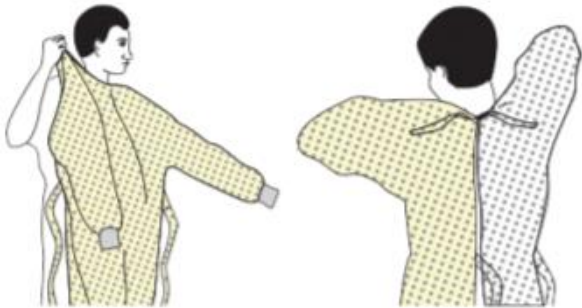
Examples of shared, non-critical equipment are ECG, X-ray and Ultrasound machines, and patient transport equipment such as wheelchairs and stretchers.

Refer to [IC.03.11 Patient Care Equipment Cleaning and Reprocessing](#) for cleaning of critical and semi-critical devices.

Objective:

To provide staff with clear directions in cleaning of any piece of equipment shared between areas for use in patient care.

#	Major Steps	Details/Pictures/Visuals	Rationale, Quality or Safety Considerations	Resources
1	Perform Hand Hygiene	<p>Clean all surfaces of hands and wrists for 20 seconds using alcohol based hand sanitizer or soap & water.</p> 	<p>Hand hygiene is performed after leaving patient environment and after removal of each item of PPE to reduce the risk of cross contamination of PPE items and self.</p> <p>The sequence of PPE removal should follow a defined regimen developed by Infection Prevention and Control (IPAC) and take into consideration the need to remove other PPE.</p> <p>Hand Hygiene reduces the contamination of cleaning supplies.</p>	<p>Doffing (Taking Off) Personal Protective Equipment Procedure</p>
2	Don/ put on gloves & gown prior to cleaning equipment	<p>Don clean gloves</p>  <p>Don gown</p>	<p>Cleaning equipment outside of patient environment requires Contact Precautions.</p> <p>Gloves protect hands from chemical irritants in hospital grade disinfectant cloths.</p> <p>Wearing a long sleeved, water resistant gown protects forearms and clothing.</p>	<p>Donning (Putting On) Personal Protective Equipment Procedure</p>

				
3	Clean and disinfect equipment	<p>Equipment should be cleaned and disinfected immediately post use in an area where other soiled equipment is handled or at least 2 meters away from the patient. Equipment can be moved outside of the patient environment (i.e. in the hallway, directly outside the patient room) for cleaning. For Airborne Precautions, equipment <i>must</i> be moved out of the patient care area prior to cleaning. ie: anteroom or outside room</p> <p>Remove and dispose used linen or paper liners within patient environment. Do not leave soiled/used equipment unattended in areas that are not designated as soiled storage/staging areas.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. Clean visibly soiled areas with a hospital grade disinfectant to remove any debris (i.e. CaviWipes, Accel Prevention wipes, Bleach wipes, etc.). All Contact+ precautions require the use of bleach. B. Using a second wipe, clean all surfaces ensuring they remain wet for 3 minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cavi-wipes, Accel Prevention wipes, and Bleach wipes require 3 minute dwell time to ensure disinfection. ▪ For other hospital grade solutions follow the manufacturer's recommendations). C. Ensure all surfaces have been cleaned (repeat steps A and B as above) and paper towel has been discarded. D. Doff soiled gloves and don a new pair of gloves before proceeding to next steps E. Tag cleaned equipment with <i>Green Means Clean</i> sticker. 	<p>Soiled equipment should not be left unattended and should be cleaned immediately after using to reduce the chance for cross contamination.</p> <p>Consider the help of a delegate to receive soiled equipment outside of the patient environment, and clean, so that soiled equipment is not left unattended for any period of time.</p> <p>Equipment should be disinfected in between patient use to avoid cross contamination.</p> <p>Clearly identifying clean equipment supports others to know equipment is ready for use.</p>	

4	Store or return equipment	Store equipment to be available to re-use (as per area specific appropriate location) or return to origin location via usual equipment transport methods.		
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References

[Donning \(Putting On\) Personal Protective Equipment Procedure](#)

[Doffing \(Taking Off\) Personal Protective Equipment Procedure](#)

[Personal Protective Equipment \(IPAC\)](#)

National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (2013). Eye safety. Retrieved from <https://www.cdc.gov/niosh/topics/eye/eye-infectious.html>

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