



All Clinical Department/Program(s)

Standard Work: Cleaning of Non-Critical Shared Equipment

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What's New?	A Standard Work for Cleaning of Non-Critical Shared Equipment has been created outlining the steps required for cleaning of equipment whenever contaminated, between patient encounters and prior to movement through clinical spaces and for use in another area.
Why?	<p>The Standard Work was created to provide staff with clear directions in cleaning of any piece of equipment shared between areas for use in patient care.</p> <p>There is a need for consistent, thorough steps to be taken to clean equipment to prevent transmission of microorganisms between areas. This Standard Work is specific to non-critical equipment. Examples of shared, non-critical equipment are ECG, X-ray and Ultrasound machines, and patient transport equipment such as wheelchairs and stretchers.</p>
How does this affect my practice?	<p>Follow all steps outlined in the Standard Work: Cleaning of Non-Critical Shared Equipment.</p> <p>For critical and semi-critical devices, please refer to IC.03.11 Patient Care Equipment Cleaning and Reprocessing for cleaning of critical and semi-critical devices. Examples of critical devices are surgical instruments, biopsy instruments. Examples of semi-critical devices are respiratory therapy equipment, anaesthesia equipment, nebulizers.</p>
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