



STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE

Contra Costa County Operations

“Patient Focused, Customer Centered, Caregiver Inspired”

SOP #: 212A

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Disposable Supplies

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A. Purpose

To clearly identify Disposable items designed for single patient use from items that are reusable after appropriate cleaning, and to provide guidance for proper disposal of soiled items when appropriate.

B. Policy

- I. Reusable items. These items shall be cleaned when soiled and after each patient contact:
 1. EKG cables
 2. Reusable pulse oximeter
 3. Defibrillation cables
 4. Laryngoscope handle
 5. Laryngoscope blades
 6. Magill forceps
 7. IV arm boards
 8. Glucometer
 9. Pedi tape
 10. KED
 11. SMR's
 12. Scoop stretcher
 13. Patient tarp
 14. PD board
 15. BP cuff
 16. Stethoscope
 17. Restraints
 18. Sager or hare traction device
 19. Bandage shears
 20. EZIO Drill

II. Disposable items should be kept above the minimums levels listed on the DAL. If at any time during the shift a unit runs below the minimum required level, the crew must contact the area supervisor. All disposable items must be restocked at the end

of each shift so the unit is ready to go in service for its next shift. If, for any reason, the crew is unable to restock the unit (supplies unavailable etc.) the crew must notify the area supervisor AND leave a clearly visible note for the on• coming crew to inform them of the missing equipment.

III. All medical waste must be disposed of in a clearly marked hazardous waste bag. Sharps must always be disposed of in a sharps container and never mixed with other medical waste. Sealed containers of sharps or bio-hazardous waste shall be left at a designated area at each station.

IV. When durable items become soiled beyond the crew's ability to clean them for use with another patient, the area supervisor must be contacted.

V. SOP #223.B.1.f requires that employees keep an extra uniform with them at all times in case theirs becomes soiled. Uniforms soiled with biohazardous material should be treated as biohazardous waste. Employees should notify their supervisor should a uniform require replacement.

VI. Disposable item. The items listed below may only be used for a single patient contact:

1. EKG electrodes
2. Disposable pulse oximeter sensors
3. Defibrillation / cardioversion pacing patches
4. OPA
5. NPA
6. Ambu-bag
7. Nasal cannula
8. Non re-breather mask
9. Oxygen extension tubing
10. CPAP Mask and tubing
11. TB mask
12. Bite stick
13. Suction tubing
14. Yankour suction tip
15. Hand-held nebulizer
16. Mask nebulizer
17. Combi-tube
18. Endotracheal tube
19. Stylette
20. Endotracheal nebulizer set
21. Endotracheal tube holder
22. Tube check bulb
23. CO2 detector
24. Needle thoracostomy kit
25. IV catheters
26. Tourniquets
27. Razors
28. All medications
29. Alcohol betadine preps

30. All syringes
31. All needles
32. Twin pack
33. Luer lock
34. Saline locks
35. Extension tubing
36. IV saline solutions
37. Glucometer test strips
38. Glucometer lancets
39. Intra-osseus needle
40. Triage tags
41. Biohazard waste bags

J. Enforcement of Policy

1. Violations of this policy are subject to corrective action up to and including termination of employment.

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