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Cleaning, Disinfection, and Sterilization of Patient-Care Items

Appendix 9: UNCHC High Level Disinfection General Competency

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I have read the UNCHC Safety Policy on Glutaraldehyde Control before presenting for competency review.

Circle appropriate outcome measure:			Competencies		
Met	Not Met	N.A.	Verbalizes knowledge of cleaning and disinfecting solutions used, labeling, length of effective use life and soak times.		
Met	Not Met	N.A.	Documents concentration of high-level disinfectant appropriately, following		
			manufacturer's instructions for use (IFUs).		
Met	Not Met	N.A.	Wears personal protective equipment, including gown, gloves, and appropriate face protection.		
Met	Not Met	N.A.	Demonstrates initial gross decontamination of exterior of device and accessories. Wipes exterior of device with clean cloth soaked in detergent or enzymatic cleaner.		
Met	Not Met	N.A.	If flexible endoscope, leak tests scope according to manufacturer's IFUs.		
Met	Not Met	N.A.	Demonstrates the process of manual washing and brushing all channels, ports and valve covers with appropriately prepared detergent or enzymatic cleaner.		
Met	Not Met	N.A.	If device has lumen(s), uses suction to fill channels with detergent or enzymatic cleaner.		
Met	Not Met	N.A.	Brushes lip of biopsy port if processing scope. Uses appropriate cleaning tools for the device being cleaned, i.e., soft brushes, cloths, and processes cleaning tools appropriately.		
Met	Not Met	N.A.	Uses suction to rinse lumens until fluid is clear, ends by suctioning air to clear fluid from lumens (or Scope Buddy) and rinses exterior of scope.		
Met	Not Met	N.A.	Fills interior channels of any lumened instrument with high-level disinfectant and immerses completely to prevent air bubbles. Utilizes manufacturer's recommended immersion time for chemical used.		
Met	Not Met	N.A.	Demonstrates the proper use of the automated endoscope reprocessor (AER) by completing manufacturer's competency form and training.		
Met	Not Met	N.A.	Avoids contaminating clean and/or disinfected items with dirty hands or gloves.		
Met	Not Met	N.A.	Rinses device with either sterile water, filtered water, or tap water. Uses three separate volumes of water for three one-minute rinses.		
Met	Not Met	N.A.	If appropriate, uses forced air to dry the scope followed by alcohol to assist in drying.		
Met	Not Met	N.A.	Demonstrates proper cleaning, high-level disinfection, rinsing and drying of all accessories.		
Met	Not Met	N.A.	Demonstrates proper cleaning and sterilization of biopsy forceps and any instrument that enters normally sterile tissues.		
Met	Not Met	N.A.	Labels or packages high level disinfected instruments to indicate disinfection has been done		
Met	Not Met	N.A.	Is able to state conditions indicating a device has not been disinfected (e.g., if not labeled or packaged, device is considered contaminated and requires high level disinfection prior to use).		
Met	Not Met	N.A.	Properly stores devices, instruments, and/or scopes and their accessories in a clean location.		
Met	Not Met	N.A.	Empties and disinfects water bottles on AERs according to manufacturer's IFUs and most current accepted guidelines and UNCH policy.		
Met	Not Met	N.A.	Disinfects brushes if reusable; discards disposable brushes after use.		
Met	Not Met	N.A.	Empties and cleans pans or sink as indicated.		
Met	Not Met	N.A.	Removes personal protective gear and discards appropriately.		
Met	Not Met	N.A.	Washes hands before leaving reprocessing room.		

I certify that	has met the competencies necessary to	
perform the general duties of high level disinfection.		
Name:	_ Date:	
Signature:		