

DID YOU KNOW? Endoscope Reprocessing Facts

Medical device reprocessing occurs across all areas of the WRHA healthcare system. From homecare to long term to acute care, chances are, frontline staff are involved in some type of reprocessing. Below are some critical points related to reprocessing endoscopes.

- ✓ All staff who participate in cleaning flexible endoscopes are specially trained in policies and procedures, and are assessed for competency annually.
- ✓ Flexible endoscopes are pre-cleaned immediately at the point of use according to the manufacturer's instructions.
- All endoscopes and accessories are inspected for damage and thoroughly cleaned, in dedicated reprocessing areas, before being disinfected or sterilized.
- ✓ Dedicated endoscope storage cabinets are used.
- ✓ Comprehensive records are kept for reprocessing of all endoscopes, as well as records of maintenance for all endoscope reprocessing equipment.

