PCH/LTCF Operational Directive: Cleaning & Disinfecting or Reprocessing of Non-Critical Reusable Resident Equipment/Items

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Assignment for responsibility and accountability is in accordance with facility/program policy.

Overall infection prevention and control cleaning principles for equipment/items:

Inspect all non-critical reusable equipment/items for damage prior to each cleaning.

- Report any damaged items according to facility policy.
- Determine surface type.

Clean and disinfect non-critical reusable items:

- When visibly soiled
- Prior to use by another resident
- Prior to sending for repair
- According to facility schedule

Reassemble equipment/items.

Store equipment/items:

- In resident's room while dedicated to a resident
- In a designated clean area if not dedicated

Cleaning Table for Non-Critical Reusable Resident Equipment/Items in Personal Care Home/Long Term Care Facility

Equipment/Item	Surface Type	Comments
Ambulation Aid crutches walkers 	Hard-to-Clean – More than one surface type Wipeable	Dedicate to one resident when possible Ensure cleaning between residents
Bed side monitorbladder scanner	Wipeable May have Hard-to- Clean components,	Examples of hard to clean components include screens and keyboards
Blood glucose monitor	Wipeable	May be visibly soiled with blood Ensure visible soiling is cleaned prior to disinfection
Cervical collar	More than one surface type Wipeable and Hard- to-clean - Fabric	Ensure cleaning between residents
Electronic devices Continuous Positive Airway Pressure (CPAP) machine Portable continuous cardiac monitoring device 	Hard-to-clean - Other	Use caution with electronic connections

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Equipment/Item	Surface Type	Comments
Thermometer (electronic)	Wipeable	For rectal thermometers, ensure visible soiling is cleaned prior to disinfection
High touch surfaces	Wipeable	E.g., bed rails, call cords, beds, over-bed table
Infusion pump	Wipeable	Ensure cleaning between residents
Intravenous Poles	Wipable	Ensure cleaning between residents
Hygiene items		
 basins 	Wipeable	Dedicate basin to one resident. Should be
 jetted tub 	Hard-to-clean	Cleaned after each use. Follow manufacturer's instructions for specific products
Monitoring equipment	Wipeable	Ensure cleaning between residents
Portable bedside		Dedicate to one resident when possible
equipment	More than one	Ensure cleaning between residents
Continuous	surface type	
Passive Motion		
machine (CPM)	Wipeable Hard-to-clean -	
o device	Fabric	
 fabric lining Portable blood pressure 	More than one	Ensure blood pressure cuff is cleaned,
machine	surface type	disinfected and air-dried.
	Wipeable and Hard-	If Velcro [™] portion of cuff is visibly soiled,
	to-clean components	hand wash with dish soap and water.
		Clamp off hose ends to ensure water
		does not enter the cuff. Allow to air dry.
Orthopedic heel boot	More than one	Dedicate to one resident when possible
 plastic molded 	surface type	Ensure cleaning between residents
shell	Wipeable Hard-to-clean –	
fabric lining	Fabric	
Pulse oximeter	Wipeable	Ensure cleaning between residents
(peripheral probe &		5
cable)		
Pressure relief devices	Hard-to-clean - Other	Must check integrity of cover
 gel cushion 		Wipeable if intact
pressure relief		Follow manufacturer instructions
inflatable		
wheelchair cushion Splint	Wipeable and hard-	Check for presence of fabric
	to-clean - Fabric	Check to presence of labilit
Stethoscope	Wipeable	Ensure cleaning between residents
Toileting device	Wipeable	Ensure crevices and/or grooves are
 bed pans 		cleaned and disinfected
 commodes 		Where possible clean and disinfect in a
urinal		designated soiled utility room

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Tourniquet	Single resident use	WRHA process requiring single resident
	only	use
Transferring/mobility		
device	Hard-to-clean –	Ensure fabric portion is removed for
fabric (e.g., transfer	Fabric	laundering.
belts/slings)	Wipeable	Transfer belts/slings: machine dry at low
plastic/metal		temperature if tolerated or hang to air-dry.
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belts/slings)	Wipeable	Transfer belts/slings: machine dry at low
plastic/metal		temperature if tolerated or hang to air-dry.
Ventilator	Hard-to-clean – More	Responsibility of Respiratory Therapist
	than one surface	
	type	