

**INFECTION CONTROL RECOMMENDATIONS
DISINFECTION OF PATIENT CARE ITEMS**

ITEM	FREQUENCY OF DISINFECTION			ITEM	FREQUENCY OF DISINFECTION		
	AFTER PT. USE	DAILY	WEEKLY		AFTER PT. USE	DAILY	WEEKLY
IV Poles	X	X (1)		Shower transfer benches			X
IV Pumps/Controllers	X	X(1)		Bicycles/Treadmills (Rehab)			X
Electronic Thermometers	X			Anesthesia Carts/Machines			X
Bl. Glucose Monitors	X			Phlebotomy chairs	X (2)	X	
Bed Rails		X		Telephones		X	
Monitors	X	X(1)		Centrifuges			X
EKG Machines		X		Lab Specimen Baskets/ Holders			X
EKG Leads		X		Medication Carts/Trays		X	
Med Carts		X		Mayo trays/stands	X(2)	X	
Stethoscopes	X			Isolation Carts	X		
Otoscopes/Ophthalmoscope	X			Pulmonary Function Machines	X		
Bl. Pressure Cuff/Units	X			IV Team Baskets/Carts		X	
Ventilators	X	X(1)		Emergency/ Crash Carts	X		
Incubators/Bassinets	X	X(1)		Exercise Mats		X	
Ultrasound probe (doppler)	X			Weights (Rehab)		X	
Exam Tables/Chairs	X(2)	X		Wheelchairs	X (2)		X
Infant Scales	X			Stair railings (Rehab)		X	
Procedure Tables	X (2)	X		Activity Balls/Games (Rehab)		X	
Toys/Play Areas	X	X		Walkers/Canes		X	
Gurneys/Stretchers	X (2)		X	Massage Tables	X(2)	X	
Procedural Carts		X		Countertops		X	
Procedural Lamps		X		Work Stations		X	
Radiology machines			X	Utility Rooms		X	
Mammography Units	X (3)		X				
Radiology tables	X(2)	X					

ALL PATIENT CARE EQUIPMENT MUST BE DISINFECTED AFTER USE IN PATIENTS ON ISOLATION PRECAUTIONS

(1) Item/equipment should be disinfected daily while in patient use

(2) Item/equipment covered with sheet, table paper or other protective covering need daily disinfection. If no protective covering or soiled with blood/body fluids, equipment should be disinfected after patient use.

(3) Parts of unit that is in direct contact with breast must be disinfected after patient use

Source: Various Regulatory Agencies and CDC/CMS Standards of Care and Hygiene

