Asepti Wipes and Hand Sanitizer

Please check the expiration dates on all asepti wipes and hand sanitizer products. Discard all expired products and replace immediately.

Administration of Surgical Antibiotic Prophylaxis Policy

The Administration of Surgical Antibiotic Prophylaxis policy has been revised to include instructions on when to rebolus patients receiving Hemodialysis or that have a creatinine clearance less than 10ml/min. In addition, the Pre-Operative Antibiotic Prophylaxis Order Sheet (Attachment A of the policy) will go live on Tuesday, July 10. To obtain this form (form# DO-308-1, Rev. 6/12), please order from the Standard Register website. If you have any questions, please contact the Infection Control and Prevention department at 484-884-1180.

Blood Culture Contamination

Remember to adhere to strict aseptic technique when obtaining blood cultures.

- Perform hand hygiene.
- Disinfect the rubber stopper of the isolator tube with an alcohol prep pad.
- Utilize the ChloraPrep Frepp to the area selected for venipuncture for 30 seconds using a back-and-forth motion to create gentle friction.
- Allow the prepped area to dry for 30 seconds.
- Be sure to collect the complete 10 mL!

The complete Phlebotomy: Venipuncture policy may be found in the Patient Care Manual.
**Cidex OPA**

Very important changes regarding Cidex OPA, please click on the link below to review the information dated 5/24/12 - [http://lvhwebcontent.lvhn.com/?id=2615&sid=1](http://lvhwebcontent.lvhn.com/?id=2615&sid=1).

**Isolation Reminders**

- Please be sure Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) is readily available.
- All dirty linen should be placed in **yellow** hampers.
- MRSA nares colonization requires isolation.
- Equipment, devices, and furniture must be disinfected between patients.

**Laryngoscope Handles**

Laryngoscope handles are not disposable and must be sent to Sterile Processing daily for sterilization.

**OR Consent Form - Procedure Request/Consent Form**

An OR Consent form must be completed for each patient prior to entering the OR. Form# MRD-04, Rev. 4/12, may be ordered from the Standard Register website.

**Physician Ticket to the OR Sheet**

The Physician Ticket to the OR sheet has been revised to include the addition of the Antibiotic Prophylaxis Order Sheet. Form# OR-28B, Rev. 6/12, may be ordered from the Standard Register website.

**Thermometers**

New freezer thermometers were distributed in June 2012 for patient food freezers and patient ice pack freezers. If you are still in need of a thermometer, please contact the Infection Control and Prevention department at 484-884-1180.

**Ultrasound Gel**

🌟 Please do not “top off” ultrasound gel bottles.

**Urine Collection Guidelines**

HNL is seeing an increase in the number of improperly submitted urine specimens for culture. To ensure specimens are not rejected, please review the Urine Collection Guidelines on page 6 of the HNL Lablink - [http://lvhwebcontent.lvhn.com/?id=2400&sid=1](http://lvhwebcontent.lvhn.com/?id=2400&sid=1).