

Naval Medical Center Portsmouth

High Level Disinfection of Semi-Critical Devices Competencies

The following competencies will be used to assess and document abilities and skills, maintenance of competency and the continual improvement in meeting of performance expectations stated in the staff member's position for the specific unit or department.

Performance Criteria	Self-Assessment Inventory		Demonstrates Competency Yes/No	**Comments**
	Can Demonstrate	Cannot Demonstrate		
State the type of patient care items that at a minimum require high level disinfection according to NMCP policy Cleaning and Disinfecting Semi-Critical Medical Devices				
Demonstrate knowledge of proper and safe handling of high-level disinfectant Cidex® OPA.				
State or demonstrate what must be worn when handling Cidex® OPA.				
State three manufacturer warnings and/or precautions when using Cidex® OPA.				
Describe and/or demonstrate knowledge of proper storage and testing of Cidex® OPA.				
Once opened, state how long Cidex® OPA may be stored in its original container.				
State when testing of Cidex® OPA is required and when remaining strips are to be discarded.				
State the test strip color for pass and fail.				
State the number of seconds to wait before reading test strip after dipping in Cidex® OPA.				
State the test strip position when reading test strip results.				

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State the temperature that Cidex® OPA must be maintained.				
State the maximum number of days Cidex® OPA may be reused.				
State how to properly dispose of Cidex® OPA.				
Demonstrate or state proper process for the Quality Control (QC) testing of Cidex® OPA test strips, including frequency of process.				
State and demonstrate proper cleaning of instrument prior to immersion into Cidex® OPA.				
State how to correctly transport dirty AND clean equipment in regards to HLD processing.				
State how often the filters for the GUS stations are to be changed and how this process is logged as accomplished.				
State and demonstrate proper high level disinfection of device utilizing Cidex® OPA. <u>For manual equipment processing:</u> State minimum and maximum time for immersion in Cidex® OPA.				
State or demonstrate the number and the volume of required fresh water rinses.				
State minimum fresh water rinse immersion time.				

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<p>If the device has lumens, state the minimum amount of required fresh water flush volume.</p>				
<p>After rinsing with potable water, if permitted by device manufacturer, state type of rinse that should follow to aid in rapid drying of device.</p>				
<p>State the type of rinse required for manually processed upper respiratory scopes such as bronchoscopes or for cystoscopes.</p>				
<p>Demonstrate proper storage of device following completion of high-level disinfection.</p>				
<p>State why devices should not be stored in transport cases.</p>				
<p>State why rinse water cylinders used in the GUS stations must be turned upside down on a clean towel or clean Chux® pad when not in use.</p>				
<p><i>If applicable</i>, demonstrate additional departmental specific competencies. See attached competency checklist if required.</p>				

**** Any competencies not met shall be addressed with training and noted in the comment section of this form.**

I consider myself competent to perform the tasks as indicated above: _____
Staff member printed name and signature Date

The above named individual can/cannot properly demonstrate the tasks as listed above: _____
Div Officer / Dept Head / Trainer Date

** _____ has not successfully completed training in the performance criteria listed above and does not demonstrate competence in the following areas.

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1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

The following training or orientation for the above listed areas will take place on _____ and the member will be re-evaluated in 5 working days on _____.