Disinfect your devices Five steps to disinfection

The digital devices you handle all day need to be disinfected just like other hospital equipment to keep you, your patients, and your team members safe. Here's how. Use a non-abrasive, lint-free cloth for all steps. No paper towels!



WASH HANDS AND DISCONNECT

Scrub hands for 20 seconds. Unplug power cords and shut down device or use Quick Clean application.



REMOVE DEBRIS

Gently invert device or use compressed air. Remove fingerprints and residue.



APPLY AGENT TO CLOTH

Apply cleaning agent to cloth (not onto device) and wring out, or use a pre-moistened chlorine-free wipe.



DISINFECT

Wipe all surfaces and let agent set for the time required on label.



WIPE OFF AND DRY

Remove any liquid and residue. Allow to dry completely before closing or using device.



Removes germs, dust, dirt, and debris from surfaces to reduce the risk of infection.



DISINFECTING

Destroys or inactivates bacteria, viruses, and other disease-causing microorganisms to infection.

Always clean before disinfecting!

HOW OFTEN?

Ideally, you should disinfect mobile devices before and after every patient encounter that involves contact also, before and after your shift.

DISINFECTING **AGENTS**

BEST

isopropyl alcohol

NEVER

chlorine or bleach

of healthcare professionals use mobile handheld devices during patient care.1

Pathogens found on



of the hands

PREVENTION PRACTICES can reduce

DON'T FORGET TO CLEAN ACCESSORIES!

and headsets can all be disinfected using these steps. Make sure mouse trackballs are free from

cleaner and cords are dry before stowing.



The amount of time a virus may be able to survive on surfaces4



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