Subject: Maintaining a Clean Work Environment

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T.J.C. Standards: NPSG 07.03.01, Reduce the risk of health care–associated infections IC.01.04.01. (EP 4) The hospital’s written infection prevention and control goals include Limiting the transmission of infections associated with procedures

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I: PURPOSE:
To ensure we have a clean working environment and reduce the risk of Hospital acquired infections.

II. DEFINITION:

III. POLICY:
All sonographers will maintain a clean and orderly work environment

IV. RESPONSIBILITIES
All staff technologists, residents’ physicians, and ultrasound students in the department must follow this policy.

V. PROCEDURES/ GUIDELINES:
1. Ultrasound machines will be cleaned with germicidal wipe at the beginning and the end of each shift. If unit becomes soiled during a procedure it will be cleaned prior to being placed back in service.
2. Transducers including the cords will be cleaned with trans-septic cleaning solution after each use. (reference policy u/s 10)
3. Environmental services will be utilized to maintain the cleanliness of the general area.
4. Clean and dirty linen will be maintained in separate areas and stored appropriately.
5. Stretcher padding will be wiped down using a sani-wipe and allowed to air dry between each examination.
6. Staff will employ proper hand washing hygiene at all times.

VI. ATTACHMENTS
None

VII: REASON FOR REVISION
Review

VIII: REFERENCES
- TJC Standards
- UHB Policy Infection Control Department (Sect 16K) Infection Control Procedures For The Department Of Radiology

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