

55-30 Appendix G – Cleaning/Disinfecting Commodes Work Standard

<b>WORK STANDARD</b>			<b>Name of Activity:</b> Cleaning/Disinfecting Commodes	
			<b>Role performing Activity:</b> Unit Assist/Nursing	
	<b>Location:</b> Saskatoon Health Region (SHR)		<b>Department:</b> Infection Prevention & Control (IP&C)	
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<b>Essential Tasks:</b>	
1.	<p><b>Don appropriate PPE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minimum: Gloves</li> </ul> <p><b>NOTE:</b> As appropriate, use gown and visor mask for risk of exposure to body fluids and cleaning product.</p>
<b>CLEANING – If commode is not visibly soiled and a bed pan/commode liner was used to collect body fluids move to disinfection step.</b>	
2.	<p><b>If visibly soiled remove all surface debris using bleach wipes moving from cleanest to dirtiest.</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Back of chair back</li> <li>2. Front of chair back</li> <li>3. Arm handles</li> <li>4. Chair legs (so not need to disinfect wheels)</li> <li>5. Top of seat</li> <li>6. Bottom of seat – visually inspect to ensure cleanliness</li> <li>7. Commode bucket</li> </ol>
3.	<b>Doff gloves and perform <a href="#">Hand Hygiene</a> as per SHR protocol.</b>
<b>DISINFECTING – If commode is not visibly soiled and a bed pan/commode liner was used to collect body fluids follow the below steps.</b>	
4.	<p><b>Don appropriate PPE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minimum: Gloves</li> </ul> <p><b>NOTE:</b> As appropriate, use gown and visor mask for risk of exposure to body fluids and cleaning product.</p>
5.	<p><b>Disinfect all surfaces</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use: Bleach Wipes</li> </ul> <p>One wipe for each of these sequences:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Seat back, arm rests then legs</li> <li>• Top then bottom of seat, commode bucket</li> </ul> <p><b>NOTE:</b> Surfaces should be wet after wiping if not, repeat with new wet wipe.</p> <p>Move from the 'cleanest' area to the 'dirtiest' area.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Back of chair back</li> <li>2. Front of chair back</li> <li>3. Arm handles</li> <li>4. Chair legs (no need to disinfect wheels)</li> <li>5. Top of seat</li> <li>6. Bottom of seat – visually inspect to ensure cleanliness</li> <li>7. Commode Bucket</li> </ol>
6.	<b>Air dry</b> (Drying time is required for product effectiveness).
7.	<b>Doff PPE and perform <a href="#">Hand Hygiene</a> as per SHR protocol.</b>