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1. PURPOSE:

- 1.1 To ensure that cleanliness of operating theatres are maintained as per standard of practices.

2. DEFINITIONS:

- 2.1 **Cleaning of Surgical Operating Room and Equipment** – maintaining the cleanliness of operating room and equipment.

3. POLICY:

- 3.1 Prior to opening the supplies for the first scheduled procedure of the day; horizontal surface, including operating room lamps must be damp – dusted.
- 3.2 During operative procedures, effort will be directed on preventing contamination.
- 3.3 All items that have contact with the patient and sterile field should be considered contaminated.
- 3.4 At the completion of the day's schedule, each theatre, utility area and corridors will be comprehensively cleaned.
- 3.5 The surgical theatre will be cleaned according to an established routine as per written in the approved policies and procedure of operating room.
- 3.6 Clean linen is transported to the department in a clean covered cart.

4. PROCEDURE:

- 4.1 Prior to opening sets and supplies for the first scheduled procedure of the day, flat surface of table, equipment and overhead lamps must be damp – dusted with a clean cloth moistened with a facility approved disinfectant.
- 4.2 During operative procedures:
 - 4.2.1 Spills of blood, body fluids in area outside the sterile field should be cleaned promptly.
 - 4.2.2 Contaminated disposable items used in patient care should be placed in leak proof, tear resistant containers.
 - 4.2.3 Counted sponges will be discarded from the sterile field and confined in a plastic linen container.
 - 4.2.4 Contaminated items will be handled using protective barriers. All bloods, tissues and body fluid specimen should be placed in leak-proof containers for health care workers' protection.
- 4.3 Conclusion of Operative Procedures:
 - 4.3.1 After the procedure, all items which have come in contact should be considered contaminated. Disposal of trash and fluids from operating room is done under the guidelines from the infection control policy.
 - 4.3.2 All soiled linens or gowns that have been used will be placed in a yellow bag as it is considered infectious.
 - 4.3.3 All medical waste (example clean covers) should be placed in black bag or ordinary waste bag.
 - 4.3.4 All infectious waste (blood stained/materials) should be placed in yellow bag. Used surgical instruments should be placed at the micro – lift.
 - 4.3.5 Suction units should be disconnected by personnel wearing gloves, and tubing must be discarded after single use.

- 4.3.6 Floors will be cleaned with a clean mop moistened with disinfectant.
- 4.3.7 Sharps will be placed in a puncture resistant container.
- 4.4 Comprehensive cleaning at the completion of the days schedule:
 - 4.4.1 Floors are cleaned.
 - 4.4.2 Furniture should be thoroughly cleaned by means of chemical disinfectant using mechanical friction.
 - 4.4.3 Wheels should be cleaned and kept free of debris.
 - 4.4.4 Spotlights and the handles should be cleaned.
 - 4.4.5 All wall mounted or ceiling mounted equipment should be cleaned.
 - 4.4.6 Scrub sinks should be thoroughly cleaned daily.
 - 4.4.7 Doors of cabinets and operating theatres should be cleaned, especially around handles and push plates.
 - 4.4.8 Instrument trolley should be cleaned paying particular attention to its wheels.
 - 4.4.9 Telephones should be cleaned with damp germicidal cloth.
 - 4.4.10 Weekend general cleaning done every Friday.
 - 4.4.11 All stretchers and trolleys are cleaned daily.
- 4.5 Cleaning of Operating Room:
 - 4.5.1 Daily cleaning – before start of operation for the day, clean the walls, floors, equipment with recommended disinfectant.
 - 4.5.2 Preliminary cleaning – cleaning done in between cases.
 - 4.5.3 Terminal cleaning – cleaning done at the end of the day, thoroughly done with a recommended disinfectant.
 - 4.5.4 Weekly Cleaning:
 - 4.5.4.1 Wall cleaned by Disinfectant.
 - 4.5.4.2 Clean floors; pay particular attention to corners and edges.
 - 4.5.5 Vacuum and clean air conditioners grills.
 - 4.5.6 Damp dust storage shelves with recommended disinfectant.

5. MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT:

N/A

6. RESPONSIBILITIES:

- 6.1 Nurse
- 6.2 Head Nurse
- 6.3 Anesthesia Technician






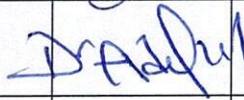

7. APPENDICES:

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8. REFERENCES:

- 8.1 Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Ministry of Health, Baish General Hospital, 2018.

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