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## **PURPOSE:**

To provide guidelines for the safe cleaning and reprocessing of soiled endoscopes and associated equipment to reduce the risk of healthcare-associated infections as well as to provide a safe environment for patients and healthcare workers.

## SCOPE:

Applies to all Endoscopy Unit staff of Dr. Pablo O. Torre Memorial Hospital

### PERSON RESPONSIBLE:

Registered Nurse and Scrub Technician

## **GENERAL GUIDELINES:**

The Dr. Pablo O. Torre Memorial Hospital is using different Endoscopic Scopes made by Fujifilm Company. All models being utilized are compatible with disinfecting and decontamination agents such as Cidezyme, Cidex OPPA and Dermistat which are presently available in the hospital. As of writing, the models that are being used are as follows:

- A. Colonoscope
  - 1. EC-760R V/L
  - 2. EC-530WC3
  - 3. EC-590WL
  - 4. EC-760R
  - 5. EC-530LP (Pedia)
  - 6. EC-760ZP-V/L
- B. Gastroscope
  - 1. EG-530WR
- C. Bronchoscope
  - 1. EB-530T
- D. Endoscope
  - 1. EG-590WR



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## PROCEDURE:

## A) PRE-CLEANING: Preparing the Endoscope for Cleaning

- 1. Pre-cleaning is being performed at the point of use, before bioburden has an opportunity to dry (within 20 minutes) and before complete decontamination.
- 2. Appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) per standard precautions must be worn to prevent staff exposure to blood and other potentially infectious materials (OPIM).
- Pre-cleaning should get ride of obvious debris by wiping the exterior of the endoscope/ accessories using Cidezyme and Cidex- OPPA as approved by Fujifilm Company's manufacturer instruction.
  - 3.1 Wipe the entire endoscope using a gauze soaked with disinfectant (Cidex-OPPA) for at least 3-4 times. Discard and replace gauze after every stroke.
  - 3.2 Flush the endoscope with disinfectant (Cidex-OPPA) at least three (3) times or until clear.
  - 3.3 Flush the endoscope with sterile water at least three (3) times or until clear.
  - 3.4 Flush the endoscope with enzymatic solution (Cidezyme) at least three (3) times or until clear.
  - 3.5 Flush the endoscope with sterile water at least three (3) times or until clear.
- 4. Transport the scope to the reprocessing area covered. If the endoscope reprocessing area is not located in the immediate vicinity and transport is required, place the scope and accessories in a plastic bag/ container with a "Biohazard" label on it.
- 5. Hang to dry the endoscope in their designated hanger and lock to secure.
- 6. A dirty scope should not be left in a clean area. Scopes needing reprocessing should be placed in a designated area used for dirty scopes only.

## B) LEAK TESTING

- 1. Attach the leak testing apparatus to the Endoscope.
- 2. Lock to secure the leak testing apparatus.



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- 3. Squeeze the bulb until it reaches 20kPac.
- 4. Observe for movement from the gauge.
  - 4.1 If the gauge doesn't move from 20kPac then the scope passes the leak test.
  - 4.2 If the gauge moves below 20kPac, a repeat testing is needed. If the result is still the same, it needs to be referred to the hospital's Biomedical Engineer immediately or to the company technician of the present endoscope being used (Fuji Film Corporation).
- 5. Notify the Head Nurse about the leaking endoscope and document the downtime.

# C) POST ENDOSCOPIC PROCEDURE (CLEANING AND DISINFECTION OF ENDOSCOPE)

- 1. Place the endoscope in a container, then transport the endoscope to the designated washing area for thorough cleaning process.
- 2. Clean the entire endoscope using antibacterial soap (e.g., Dermistat).
- 3. Wash the endoscope with running filtered water.
- Remove the knobs and brush the interior using soft endoscopic brush under running filtered water.
- 5. Attach the cleaning adapters for flushing.
- Soak the entire endoscope with disinfecting solution (Cidex-OPPA) for at least 5 minutes.
- 7. Flush the endoscope with disinfecting solution (Cidex-OPPA) at least three (3) times or until clear.
- 8. Rinse the inside of the scope with sterile water at least three (3) times or until clear.
- Flush the endoscope with disinfecting solution (Cidezyme) at least 3-4 times or until clear.
- 10. Flush the endoscope with sterile water three (3) times or until clear.
- 11. After rinsing with water, the scope should be dried using air pressure not less than 20kPa.



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- 12. The endoscopic channels are dried by flushing with forced air and ethyl or isopropyl alcohol (70% to 90%).
- 13. Storage requires keeping the endoscopes in a safe and sterile environment, usually by hanging the endoscopes in a vertical position without touching the floor.

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	KEY TASKS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE
	PRE-CLEANING: Preparing the Endoscope	e for Cleaning
1.	Wears appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) per standard precautions to prevent exposure to blood and other potentially infectious materials (OPIM).	
2.	Wipes the exterior of the endoscope/ accessories using Cidezyme and Cidex- OPPA as approved by Fujifilm Company's manufacturer instruction.	
3.	Flushes the endoscope with disinfectant (Cidex-OPPA) at least three (3) times or until clear.	
4.	Flushes the endoscope with sterile water at least three (3) times or until clear.	
5.	Flushes the endoscope with enzymatic solution (Cidezyme) at least three (3) times or until clear.	Registered Nurse/ Scrub Technician
6.	Flushes the endoscope with sterile water at least three (3) times or until clear.	
7.	Transports the scope to the reprocessing area covered.	
8.	Places the scope and accessories in a plastic bag/ container with a "Biohazard" label on it if the endoscope reprocessing area is not located in the immediate vicinity and transport is required.	
9.	Hangs to dry the endoscope in their designated hanger and locks to secure.	



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LEAK TESTING	
1. Attaches the leak testing apparatus to the Endoscope.	
. Locks to secure the leak testing apparatus.	
3. Squeezes the bulb until it reaches 20kPac.	Registered Nurse/ Scrub Technician
4. Observes for movement from the gauge.	Serus recimient
5. Notifies the Head Nurse about the leaking endoscope and document the downtime.	
POST ENDOSCOPIC PROCEDURE (CLEANING ENDOSCOPE)	AND DISINFECTION O
1. Places the endoscope in a container, then transports to the designated washing area for thorough cleaning process.	
2. Cleans the entire endoscope using antibacterial soap (e.g., Dermistat).	
3. Washes the endoscope with running filtered water.	
4. Removes the knobs and brush the interior using	
soft endoscopic brush under running filtered water.	Registered Nurse/ Scrub Technician
water.	
<ul><li>water.</li><li>5. Attaches the cleaning adapters for flushing.</li><li>6. Soaks the entire endoscope with disinfecting</li></ul>	



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least three (3) times or until clear.	
9. Flushes the endoscope with disinfecting solution (Cidezyme) at least 3-4 times or until clear.	
10. Flushes the endoscope with sterile water three (3) times or until clear.	Pagistared Nurse
11. Dries the scope after rinsing using air pressure not less than 20kPa.	Registered Nurse, Scrub Technician
12. Stores the endoscope in a safe and sterile environment, usually by hanging the endoscopes in a vertical position without touching the floor.	



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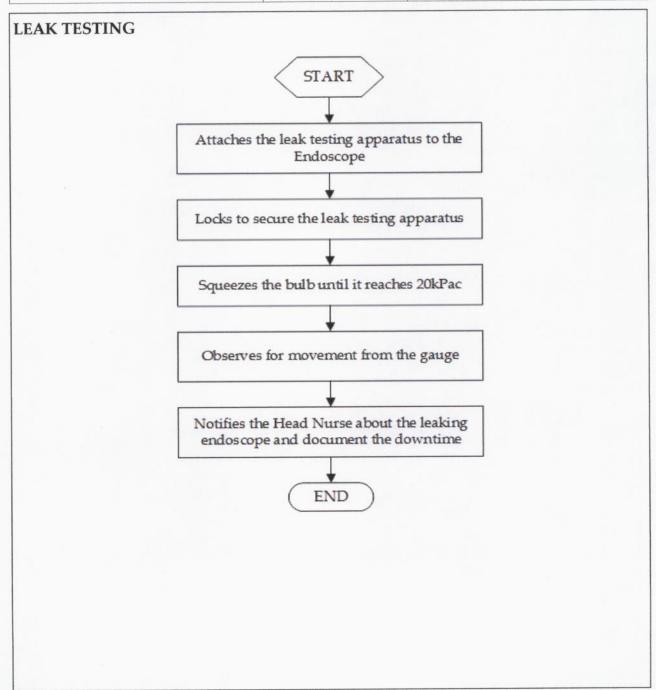


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## **FLOWCHART** PRE-CLEANING START Wears appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) per standard precautions to prevent exposure to blood and other potentially infectious materials (OPIM) Wipes the exterior of the endoscope/ accessories using Cidezyme and Cidex-OPPA as approved by Fujifilm Company's manufacturer instruction Flushes the endoscope with disinfectant (Cidex-OPPA) at least three (3) times or until dear Flushes the endoscope with sterile water at least three (3) times or until clear Flushes the endoscope with enzymatic solution (Cidezyme) at least three (3) times or until clear Flushes the endoscope with sterile water at least three (3) times or until dear Transports the scope to the reprocessing area covered Places the scope and accessories in a plastic bag/container with a "Bio hazard" label on it if the endoscope reprocessing are is not located in the immediate vicinity and transport is required Hangs to dry to endoscope in their designated hanger and locks to secure **END**



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### POST ENDOSCOPIC PROCEDURE

START

Places the endoscope in a container, then transports to be designated washing area for thorough cleaning process

Cleans the entire endoscope using antibacterial soap (e.g., Dermistat)

Washes the endoscope with running filtered water

Removes the knobs and brush the interior using soft endoscopic brush under running filtered water

Attaches the cleaning adapters for flushing

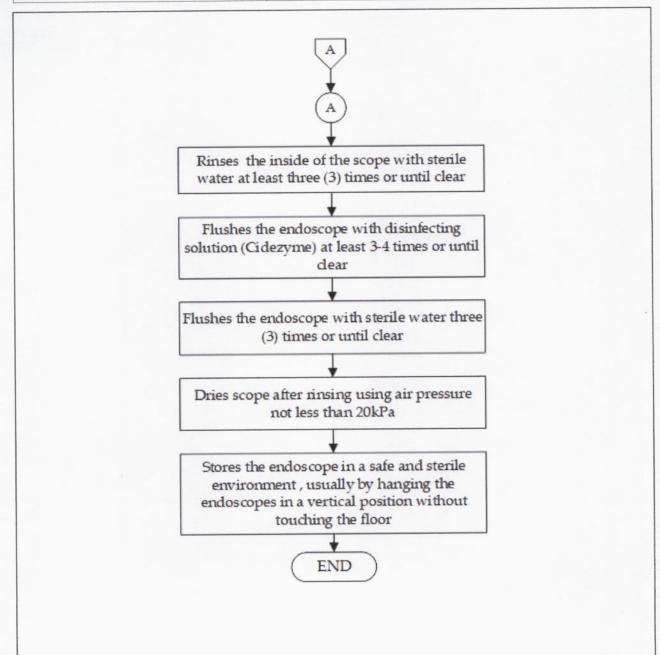
Soaks the entire with disinfecting solution (Cidex-OPPA) for at least 5 minutes

Flushes the endoscope with disinfecting solution (Cidex-OPPA) at least three (3) times or until dear





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