

Hot Issues Medical Device Reprocessing

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Policies and Procedures

- Standard policies and procedures
- Inconsistency of policies and procedures across the country or the province
- Policies and procedures for new and emerging infectious diseases
- Lack of governance from a national or provincial body

Loaners

- Policy and procedure
- Timelines
- Complex
- New technology

Sterilization Parameters

- Different times for similar devices
- Validation papers
- Happy medium?

Processing Instructions

- Variations
- Detailed
- Up to date

Education

- Re-certification for all CS staff
- Skills and training sessions
- Instrument management system

Education

- C.S. Techniques course
- Formal review of workbook
- Educational updates
- Telehealth

Education

- Generic name for CS staff
- Standard qualifications

OR/CS Relationship

- Common goal
- Cohesive team
- Communication
- Customer relations

Interdisciplinary Relationship

- Infection Control
- Occupational Health
- Risk Management
- Materials Management
- Biomedical Engineering