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**PROCEDURE SUBJECT:**

Terminal Cleaning of the Operating Room (End of Day)

**PURPOSE:**

To provide direction for all Southern Health-Santé Sud staff to follow and incorporate methods necessary to sustain the facility’s environment at a level of sanitation and visual appearance, consistent with the Accreditation Standards, Infection Control, Operating Room Nurses Association of Canada (ORNAC) and Provincial Infectious Diseases Advisory Committee (PIDAC).

**PROCEDURE:**

1. Use appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) according to Safety Data Sheet (SDS).
2. Change into Scrub pants and top. Scrub pants, top, boot covers, gloves are required when cleaning the Operating Room. All hair must be tucked into a hair net.
3. Prepare equipment / supplies. Solution at recommended dilution rate, saturated cloths, mop and pail and garbage bags.
4. Perform hand hygiene and put on gloves.
5. Clean and disinfect lights and ceiling-mounted tracks.
6. Clean and disinfect all door handles, push plates, light switches and controls.
7. Clean and disinfect telephones and computer keyboards.
8. Spot-check walls for soil.
9. Clean and disinfect all exterior surfaces of machines and equipment allowing adequate drying time for the disinfectant before storage. Some pieces of equipment are designated for the OR Aids to clean due to the sensitivity of the equipment. Make sure you know which pieces of equipment this applies to.
10. Clean and disinfect all furniture including wheels/casters.
11. Clean and disinfect exterior of cabinets and doors, especially around handles.

12. Clean and disinfect all horizontal surfaces.
13. Clean the OR bed last in the OR theatre, ensuring to rinse the mattress after the recommended manufacturer's disinfectant time.
14. Clean scrub sinks and surrounding walls.
15. Remove all garbage, wipe and reline receptacles.
16. Place a cautionary wet floor sign at the entrance to the room.
17. Mop floor, making sure the bed is moved and the floor is washed underneath; move all furniture and continue cleaning the floor; follow the manufacturer's instructions for dilution and contact time; use a fresh mop/mop head and fresh solution for each room.
18. If using microfiber mop pads, they need to be charged with the correct dilution rate and wetness. Change pads often to ensure wetness for correct contact time.
19. Replace all furniture and equipment to its proper location.
20. Report any needed repairs.
21. Clean and store housekeeping equipment.
22. Remove gloves, boot covers and hair net and perform hand hygiene.

\*Regular Cleaning Schedules should be established, posted and documented. Items that need to be cleaned on a regular basis, but not limited to are: walls, air conditioning and ventilation grills/vents, ducts and filters, sterilizer, cabinets, closets, shelves, warming cupboards, theatre walls and ceilings, recessed ceiling track, store rooms, offices and lounges, refrigerators, ice machine and washroom and locker rooms.

**REFERENCES:**

Operating Room Nurses Association of Canada (ORNAC)  
Provincial Infectious Diseases Advisory Committee (PIDAC)