 Department of Health Government of Nunavut		<b>NURSING POLICY, PROCEDURE AND PROTOCOLS</b>	
		<b>Community Health Nursing</b>	
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<b>Equipment – Basic Nursing</b>		Administration	05-019-00
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**POLICY:**

Where equipment is deemed to be basic to nursing practice no special instruction for its care and usage should be required. If a nurse requires instruction for the care and use of such a piece of equipment he/she should advise his/her supervisor. A list of equipment and supplies that should be considered basic to nursing practice is located in Guideline 05-019-01.

**PRINCIPLES:**

Equipment and supplies in this category are central to nursing care and nurses should be generally knowledgeable about their care and use. Where a nurse is not familiar with such equipment or supplies the information should be easily obtained from a colleague or supervisor.

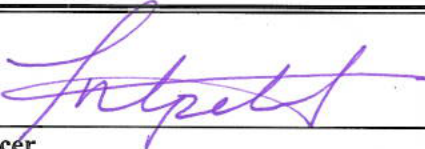

**RELATED POLICIES, GUIDELINES AND LEGISLATION:**

Guideline 05-019-01                      Basic Nursing Equipment

**GUIDELINE 05-019-01**

Airways: Oropharyngeal; Nasopharyngeal  
Ambu Bag  
Audio-Visual Equipment  
Bath tub lifts  
Cast cutters  
Catheters: Nasal; Urethral  
Century Tub  
Croupette  
Cord Clamps  
Doptone  
Eye Charts (including color vision)  
Fetoscope  
Glucose Monitoring Unit  
Incubator  
Instruments (assorted)  
Intravenous Equipment/Apparatus  
Laerdal Resuscitator and Mask (Adult)  
Mechanical Lifting Devices  
Monkey Bars  
Nasogastric Tubes  
Nebulizer  
Needles  
Ohio Transport Incubators  
Otoscope

Ophthalmoscope  
Oxygen valves / cylinders  
Parallel Frames  
Paediatric Resuscitator with mask  
Philadelphia collar  
Projectors  
Restraints  
Ring cutter  
Sand bags  
Scales  
Specimen collectors  
Sphygmomanometer  
Stethoscope  
Stretchers  
Suction  
Syringes  
Tensors  
Thermometers  
Tourniquet  
Tongue forceps  
Triangular bandages  
Urinary drainage bags  
Vaporizer

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