

## How to Clean and Disinfect a Workstation on Wheels (WOW)

### QUICK CLEAN & DISINFECT ●

#### WHAT: All high-touch surfaces:

barcode scanner/holder, work surface, height adjustment handle, keyboard/mouse, FESR microphone (if used), medication drawer handles, battery (when swapping out)

### COMPLETE CLEAN & DISINFECT ●

#### WHAT: All exterior surfaces including high-touch surfaces *plus*:

Tangent computer (including monitor), cart base

### DEEP CLEAN & DISINFECT ●

#### WHAT: Entire device including:

wheels, cables, underside, inside of drawers, cart base



#### HOW: 2-Step Process:

**Step 1:** Clean with a new wipe(s) using friction (rub/scrub)

**Step 2:** Disinfect with a new wipe(s), allow to air dry

#### Avoid the following areas:

Exposed fan of computer

Metallic strips on batteries and barcode scanner

WHEN to Clean	QUICK Clean & Disinfect	COMPLETE Clean & Disinfect	DEEP Clean & Disinfect
No cleaning required between patients if WOW is used after hand hygiene practice & outside of patient care areas			
<b>Routine:</b> Daily or with shift change		●	
<b>Routine:</b> Q2 weeks minimum and on discharge if dedicated to a patient			●
Used within 2 meters of splash or spray (i.e. coughing patient, suctioning)	●		
Visibly soiled with blood or body fluid		●	
Items or equipment from the patient room touched the WOW	●		
Bar code scanner put down in the patient room or in contact with the patient	●		
Exiting an isolation room		●	
When heavily soiled drawers, crevices, etc.			●

Surface Area to be Cleaned	What Cleaning Product to Use
All surfaces*	0.5% Accelerated Hydrogen Peroxide (AHP) with fungicidal, virucidal and bactericidal claim
For patients on 'contact PLUS' additional precautions (all surfaces)*	Up to 4.5% Accelerated Hydrogen Peroxide (AHP) OR 0.5% NaOCl (Sodium Hypochlorite aka bleach)
<b>Use product manufacturer recommended contact time for all disinfectants</b>	
*For monitors: after disinfectant dwell time wipe with a clean damp cloth to prevent residue build-up	

## Brief Anatomy of a WOW



- 1 Tangent computer / monitor
- 2 bar code scanner
- 3 work surface
- 4 keyboard, mouse & surface
- 5 height adjustment lever
- 6 medication drawers (some models)
- 7 wheels
- 8 cart base



Rear view of monitor with  
battery location

For links to manufacturer recommendations please access the full policy document on the [PHSA Shared Health Organizations Portal \(SHOP\)](#)

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