

INFECTION CONTROL AND MEDICAL WASTE CHECKLIST



INFECTION CONTROL CHECKLIST:

Hand Hygiene

- 1. Hand washing facilities are equipped with wall mounted liquid soap dispensers.
- 2. Disposable towels are available in wall mounted containers.
- 3. Where hand washing facilities are not available, antiseptic alcohol based hand gels are available at each clinical area.
- 4. Foot operated bin for waste towels in good working order situated at each hand wash basin.

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

- 1. Gloves are readily available in all clinical areas, in a variety of sizes, for single-use only.
- 2. Single-use facemasks and eye protection are readily available in areas where there is a risk of splashing of bodily fluids.

Housekeeping

- 1. Disposable paper couch towels are used on examination couch.
- 2. Medical equipments are clean and stored appropriately.
- 3. The examination room is clean and with only appropriate furniture in use.
- 4. Rooms where clinical Practice takes place have washable floors.
- 5. Food or beverages observed in biohazard areas.
- 6. Refrigerator is clean.
- 7. Biohazard bags available.

Work Practice Controls

- 1. Specimen containers are visibly clean, leak-resistant and properly labeled.
- 2. Specimens are kept in a designated area.
- 3. Refrigerators used for the storage of specimens are not used to store food or vaccine.
- 4. Refrigerators are appropriately labeled with biohazard sticker.



Injection Safety

- 1. All sharps are disposed of in a puncture-resistant sharps container.
- 2. Sharps containers are correctly assembled.
- 3. Sharps containers are available at each point of required use.
- 4. Sharps containers are not filled beyond the indicator mark.
- 5. Full sharps containers are sealed only with the integral lock and not with tape or stickers.
- 6. Sharps containers are stored safely.
- 7. Filled sharps containers are disposed of in accordance with state regulated medical waste rules.
- 8. There are no inappropriate items in the sharps container (e.g. swabs, bandages or packaging).
- 9. Needles and syringes are single-use only and discarded as a single unit.

MEDICAL WASTE CHECKLIST:

Medical Waste Disposal

- 1. Availability of Medical waste disposal contract.
- 2. Boxes available for transport of sharps containers.
- 3. Packaged Medical waste are properly sealed.
- 4. "Infectious waste" register file maintained in laboratory.
- 5. All waste bags/containers comply with the local Standards.
- 6. All clinical waste bins used are foot operated, with a correctly fitted lid, and are in good working order.
- 7. All waste bins are visibly clean, both externally and internally.
- 8. Clinical waste bags/containers are no more than 3/4 full and their usage-type clearly indicated at source.
- 9. There is a dedicated area for the safe storage of clinical (hazardous) waste which is in a secure room, inaccessible to the public.

