

Cleaning Process – Disposable Stethoscope

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Supplies required:

- Disposable stethoscope (hospital-issued)
- Fresh gloves
- Hospital-approved disinfectant wipes



Frequency of cleaning:

- After every use
- In between patients (except for TB and COVID-19 positive patients - which should be disposed when patient is discharged)

Cleaning sequence:

1. Perform hand hygiene
2. Put on fresh gloves
3. Wipe the entire stethoscope
4. Wipe the tip of the ear pieces again
5. Allow stethoscope to dry completely before placing in designated area
6. Perform hand hygiene