Madison County Health Care System

Cleaning Toys

Purpose: Guidelines for cleaning and disinfecting washable toys between uses.

Policy: All mobile toys will be cleaned regularly and after use by a patient. Toys that are visibly soiled or come into contact with bodily fluids will be removed from use until cleaning is performed. Stationary toys, such as play tables, will be cleaned with disinfectant/wipes on a regular basis.

Procedure:

Supplies: Two containers designated for toys only, hospital approved disinfectant, disinfectant wipes and clean cloths

For deep cleaning-

- 1. Fill container marked: "clean toys" with disinfectant.
- 2. Place toys in the disinfectant solution and soak them for the proper dwell time of the product.
- 3. Fill the second container marked: "rinsed toys" with clean water, place disinfected toys in the clean water to rinse the disinfectant off.
- 4. Place clean rinsed toys on a clean cloth or paper towel and allow to air dry.
- 5. Dump water from both containers and wipe clean with disinfectant, let air dry.
- 6. Return clean toys to designated areas.

For daily cleaning in between patients, clean with disinfectant wipe, let air dry then rinse under water.

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