RE-USE OF SINGLE-USE MEDICAL DEVICES

POLICY STATEMENT

It is the Bay of Plenty District Health Board's (BOPDHB) policy that there shall be no re-use of single-use medical devices. This includes re-use, re-processing and re-sterilisation.

PURPOSE

To prevent the possibility of cross infection or hazard to patients which may occur from equipment being reprocessed outside of manufacturer's recommendations. Clarification on specific issues should be directed to the Infection Control Team.

EXCLUSIONS

There are no exclusions.

REFERENCES

- New Zealand Standard, NZS 8134.3:2008, Health and disability services Standards - Health and disability services (infection prevention and control) Standards
- Australian / New Zealand Standard. AS/NZS 4187:2014, Reprocessing of reusable medical devices in health service organizations.

ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS

- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 4.1.0 Infection Prevention and Control Management