

# SINGLE USE DEVICES (SUDs)

GDIPC

# Hand Hygiene:

## Element : B-5

- **Sub- Element (1)**
- **Activities for auditing:**
  - ✓ **(D)** documentation
  - ✓ **(SI)** staff interview
  - ✓ **(O)** observation
- **Score (0-2)**

## Sub- Element (B-5.1)

**The facility has an implemented policy for No Reuse of single use items based on the national regulations.**

**(D, O, SI)**

## Review:

### Single Use Device:

a medical device that is intended for single use only, on an individual patient for a single procedure, and then should be discarded. It should not be reprocessed or reused again even on the same patient.

## Review:

### Single Use Device:

These devices are packaged and marked as “single use” or have the international sign for single use items



## Review:

### Review the following documents :

- 1) Policy should clearly define and state single use device
  - ✓ *SUD should only be used on an individual patient during a single procedure and then discarded.*
  - ✓ *Single-use device should not be reprocessed or used again, even on the same patient.*
  - ✓ *Disposable single-use devices that have been opened and not used; should not be reprocessed (i.e., re-sterilized).*
  - ✓ *SUDs must be discarded by the end user at the point of use as per hospital protocols.*

## Review:

- ❑ **Review the following documents :**
  - 2) Fully applicable
  - 3) Based on scientific
  - 4) Signed from authorized personnel
  - 5) Approved by IC committee.
  - 6) Valid (updated within 2 - 3 years and when indicated)

## Review:

- ❑ Review OVR (Occurrence Variance Reports) to check if single use items were sent to CSSD for reprocessing.

Policy for single use items can be a separate policy or as a part of major policy like reprocessing of instruments.

Note:

The re-use of Single Use Device has legal implications. Anyone who reprocesses or re-uses device intended for use on one occasion by the manufacturer, bears full responsibility for its safety and effectiveness.

## Ask HCWs about:

- 1. *Observe the use of single use devices by the staff in different patient care areas to notice any breach in practice .***
- Staff interview to ensure effective implementation of single use policy:***
  - ✓ Randomly ask clinical staff about the protocols of handling Single Use Devices.