HACKETTSTOWN REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER JOAN KNECHEL CANCER CENTER WATER BATH – IMMOBILIATION DEVICE

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SCOPE

Only for the making of immobilization devices

PURPOSE

To ensure a consistency in the proper use and care of the water baths for immobilization devices.

POLICY

The water bath used in the making of immobilization devices for a patient shall only be used for that patient. No two patients devices shall be shared. The water bath shall be emptied and washed daily if in use.

PROCEDURE

- I. When the water bath is needed for the fabrication of an immobilization device it shall be filled and heated to the level suggested by the manufacturer. After it's use, it shall be emptied and cleaned according to the manufacturer's instruction for the next use/patient.
- II. The water bath MUST not remain plugged in after the procedure or when not in use.