HACKETTSTOWN COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

Division of Nursing

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OPERATING ROOM SANITATION

TITLE:

- 1. Prior to the first scheduled procedure of the day, horizontal surfaces are damp dusted by the circulating nurse.
- 2. During the surgical procedure, efforts will be direct at confining contamination. Areas contaminated by organic debris will immediately be wiped clean with a germicide solution.
- 3. All items that have come in contact with the patient and/or sterile field should be considered contaminated and their disposition should reflect appropriate contamination control measures:
 - a. All laundry should be placed in laundry hamper in room.
 - b. Non-contaminated trash is disposed of in <u>CLEAR</u> bags by the housekeeper.
- 4. Between cases, the dirty linen and trash are removed from the room. The OR bed, roller and grossly soiled surfaces are cleaned with a hospital approved germicide/disinfectant and that mop head is discarded.
- 5. At the completion of the days schedule each OR and scrub/utility area and corridors will be cleaned by Environmental Services.
- 6. All other areas of the surgical suite are cleaned according to an established schedule. (See Environmental Services).
- Stretchers used to transport patients are damp dusted between patients with a hospital approved germicide/disinfectant by OR transporter or Environmental Services. Terminal cleaning is done on SDS by Environmental Services.
- 8. Change water and mop head after use.
- 9. Remove dirty items first before cleaning the room.