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PROCEDURE

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TITLE: CLEANING AND HANDLING OF INSTRUMENT AT THE END OF EACH CASE BY THE SCRUB NURSE

PURPOSE: Procedure for the scrub nurse as to care of instruments at the end of each case.

CONTENT: PROCEDURE:

A. General Instruments

1. All soiled instruments are to be opened and sprayed with enzyme cleaner.
2. Clean instruments are to go back into their appropriate set container with the lid place on top.
3. Separate any fine OR delicate instruments and place them into an emesis basin.

B. Cameras, Scopes and Cords

1. All are to be wiped and cords are to be wound up and placed back into their appropriate containers with the lids placed on top.

C. Cystoscopes, Uteteroscopes, etc:

1. Dismantle all pieces, rinse with water.
2. All ports are to be opened and placed back into their appropriate container.
3. All small items are to be placed back into their container or into an emesis basin.

D. Laparoscopy Instruments and GYN related Instruments

1. Dismantle all pieces and place back into their appropriate container.
2. All small items are to be placed back into their container or into an emesis basin.
3. Any trochars are to be dismantled and placed into their appropriate container or an emesis basin.

E. Drills and Saws

1. Dismantle batteries and all attachments
2. Wipe hand pieces clean
3. Run water through drill hole and all attachments only.
4. Wipe batteries clean
5. Place everything back into their container or an emesis basin if no container is available.
6. Do not submerse any hand pieces or batteries.

F. Eye Instruments

1. All instruments are to be wiped and placed back into their container with the lid on top.
2. All tips, IA pieces and Phaco hand pieces are rinsed through with water in a syringe, then air in a syringe.