



Effective Medical Device Reprocessing Impacts Quality of Care

7 Ways MEDICAL CLINICS are adopting hospital style medical device reprocessing standards in order to deliver quality and safety for patients

Clinics, like hospitals, are basing their policy and procedure guidance on the CSA Group's CAN/CSA-Z314-18, infection prevention and control and other Health Canada regulations.

Clinics are focused on patient centred care and recognize they must eliminate issues associated with poorly reprocessed medical devices.

1 PATIENT SAFETY

2 POLICIES & PROCEDURES

3 JOB PERFORMANCE

Clinics are employing certified medical device reprocessing technicians who have experience working with complexity associated with the reprocessing equipment and medical devices.

7 AUDITS & COMPETENCY TESTING

Clinics are testing system performance through the use of self and third party audits.

4 EDUCATION & TRAINING

Clinics are engaged in the ongoing education and training for the staff involved in the reprocessing of equipment and medical devices.

5 VALIDATION & TESTING

Clinics, like hospitals, are ensuring that they follow the manufacturer's instruction for use (MIFU) in the validation and testing for all devices used to deliver patient care.

6 DOCUMENTATION & RECORD KEEPING

Clinics, like hospitals, maintain electronic and / or paper records to ensure they have proof-points that demonstrate the efficacy of the reprocessing system.