



Procedure: Apple iPad Disinfecting Procedure

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Responsible Department: All Departments

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Scope: The University of Toledo-Health Science Campus

iPads are becoming more popular in the healthcare environment; however, they may carry nosocomial pathogens due to the various ports and crevasses.

- (A) Disinfecting Products & Equipment Needed:
 - a. A large clear plastic, sealable storage bag for iPad
 - b. PDI Easy Screen Cleaning Wipes or similar product that is 70% isopropyl alcohol
- (B) Procedure:
 - a. Perform hand hygiene.
 - b. Place iPad in clear plastic bag and seal
 - c. Take into patient room to utilize iPad.
 - d. After patient use, don clean gloved hands, unseal plastic bag and remove iPad, discard plastic bag.
 - e. Disinfect the iPad using PDI Easy Screen 70% isopropyl alcohol wipe, gently wipe the hard, non-porous surfaces. Do not saturate or submerge in cleaning products.
 - f. Disinfected iPad should be handed to another clean staff member outside of patient room or at the threshold of doorway or area.
 - g. Remove gloves and perform hand hygiene.
 - h. If using iPad from one patient room to another, place the iPad in a new plastic bag with each patient use and disinfect as stated in (e), (f) & (g) above before placing in a new plastic bag.
 - i. Once finished with iPad store in secure location.
 - j. Perform hand hygiene.

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