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(A) Policy Statement

The safe transportation of the TEE Probe to and from the procedure room in order to protect the patient and personnel from a variety of pathogens is essential to the operations of the ECHO Lab.

(B) Purpose of Policy

To provide safe transportation of the TEE Probe.

(C) Procedure

1. The TEE transducer is transported in a designated bin with a green protective cover to the patient's room or catheterization laboratory to begin the procedure. Use a disposable sponge cover to protect the tip of the probe.
2. When the procedure is complete the cardiologist will hand the contaminated probe to the echo technologist.
3. The contaminated probe will be wrapped in a towel and placed in a plastic patient bag in the designated bin with a red protective cover.
4. Clean the handle with germicidal disposable wipe (sani-cloth) and then remove your gloves.
5. Wash your hands.
6. Transport the TEE probe to the echo lab for cleaning and disinfecting immediately.

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