

PURPOSE

To outline the Bay of Plenty District Health Board (BOPDHB) standards for the safe use of medical equipment / devices.

STANDARDS TO BE MET

1. Existing Medical Equipment / Devices

- 1.1. It is a requirement that all medical devices are managed and inspected in accordance with NZS3551:2012
- 1.2. All medical equipment / devices must have been Accepted into BOPDHB by Clinical Engineering or an approved agency, been added to the medical device management system and have been issued a Clinical Engineering BM number.
- 1.3. It is the responsibility of the equipment **USER** to ensure that the medical equipment / device has been inspected as required by NZS3551:2012 and has a valid test sticker.

1.4. USER Tests

- a) Before using any medical equipment / device users should check that:
 - i) The unit has a valid test sticker to ensure the unit has been tested in accordance with NZS3551:2012
 - ii) There are no physical signs of damage
 - iii) No physical signs of ingress of fluid
 - iv) All accessories necessary for a procedure are present
 - v) All internal self-test mechanisms are activated to ensure equipment operation
 - vi) Any user maintenance (cleaning, filter or consumable replacements etc.) has been performed in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations.
- b) Any faulty medical equipment / device or any medical equipment / device that is suspected of being faulty must be removed from service and have a fault tag attached.
- c) The faulty medical equipment / device must be decontaminated in accordance with the BOPDHB infection control manual.
- d) Clinical Engineering must then be notified.

1.5. Patient / Staff Incidents

- a) Any medical equipment / device creating or suspected of creating a patient incident or hazard shall be immediately removed from service and quarantined.
- b) Clinical Engineering and the Risk Co-ordinator must be notified, along with an Incident Management form (REF) completed.
- c) All accessories used at the time of the incident including any disposable accessories must be kept to add the investigation.
 - i) Due to infection control these accessories must be kept in medical waste bags or cleaned after consultation with Clinical engineering.

2. Portable Multiple Socket-Outlets (Power Boards) in Patient treatment Areas

- 2.1. Portable Multiple Socket outlets are a piece of equipment and must be managed and inspected in accordance with NZS3551:2012

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**SAFE USE OF MEDICAL
EQUIPMENT / DEVICES
PROTOCOL**

- 2.2. All Portable Multiple Socket-Outlets must have been Accepted into BOPDHB by Clinical Engineering, been added to the medical device management system and have been issued a Clinical Engineering BM number.
- 2.3. It is the responsibility of the equipment **USER** to ensure that the Portable Multiple Socket-Outlet has been inspected as required by NZS3551:2012 and has a valid test sticker.

3. Disposal of Medical Equipment / Devices

- 3.1. Medical equipment / devices must be disposed of in accordance with NZS3551:2012.
- 3.2. Medical equipment / devices must be removed from the Clinical Engineering device management system and the asset management system.
- 3.3. Users should contact Clinical Engineering if they wish to dispose of medical equipment / devices.

4. New Medical Equipment / Devices

- 4.1. New medical equipment / devices must be acceptance tested by Clinical Engineering or an approved agency to NZS3551:2012
- 4.2. New medical equipment / devices must be added to the medical device management system and have a BM number issued.
- 4.3. Medical equipment / devices which have not previously been purchased by BOPDHB should have been through the BOPDHB policy 3.5.7 Product Evaluation.
 - a) **Exception:** *Dental procurement is handled at a national level.*

5. Loan or Trial Medical Equipment / Devices

- 5.1. Medical equipment / devices that are loaned to the DHB must be supplied with an FM.M20.1 Medical Equipment / Device - Loan, Trial, Placement and/or Evaluation Authorisation Form signed by the lender of the device.
- 5.2. Medical equipment / devices loaned to the DHB must be acceptance tested by Clinical Engineering to NZS3551:2012
- 5.3. New medical equipment / devices must be added to the medical device management system and have a BM number issued

ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS

- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 5.1.17 Safe Use of Medical Equipment / Devices
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board Form FM.M20.1 Medical Equipment / Device - Loan, Trial, Placement and/or Evaluation Authorisation
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 5.1.10 Electrical Equipment and Appliances – Testing and Safety
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 3.5.7 Product Evaluation
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 3.5.1 Capital Expenditure
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 3.5.8 Purchasing
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 4.1.0 Infection Control Management
- Bay of Plenty District Health Board policy 2.1.4 Incident Management

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