

B-140 R Cleansing and Disinfecting Oxygen Equipment

Applies To

Registered Nurses

Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurses

Other (*Identify*): _____

Equipment/Supplies

- Soap and water.
- Paper towels.
- Plastic bags.
- Distilled water for humidifier.

Procedure

1. Rinse cannula or mask clean with water and dry with paper towel.
 - a. Wash tubing. Hang in bathroom to dry. Store in clean plastic bag when not in use.
 - b. Compressor filter must be cleaned regularly by rinsing thoroughly under running water, squeezing it dry and replacing. The frequency is determined by the dust in the environment.
2. For clients receiving continuous oxygen therapy, replace cannula, mask, tubing and catheter weekly.
3. Store clean, dry articles in a plastic bag.
4. Wash filter in back of oxygen concentrator weekly with soap and water and rinse well. Dry and replace.
5. Clean humidifier container with mild soap and water. Rinse well. If extras are not available, refill with distilled water after drying with a clean paper towel.

Related Procedures

None

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