

Equipment Change Schedule Policy

Policy: The facility shall have a schedule for changing disposable equipment at regular intervals as determined by manufacturer's recommendations.

Guidelines: Equipment will be changed as follows:

Ventilator circuit	On admission and PRN.
Aerosol Tubing	On admission and 2x per month (about 14 days) and PRN.
HME	On admission and 2x per week (Monday&Friday) and PRN.
In-Line Suction	On admission and 2x per month (about 14 days) and PRN.
Trach Tube	Q 90 Days and PRN.
Trach Collar	On admission and 2x per month (about 14 days) and PRN.
Trach Ties	Once a week (Saturday) and PRN.
Ventilator Filters	On admission and weekly (Tuesday) and PRN.
Nasal Cannula	On admission and weekly (Monday) and PRN.
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Bubblers	On admission and weekly (Monday) and PRN.
Yankauers	Q 48 Hours and PRN.
Suction Canister	On admission and when full.
Suction Tubing	Change with suction canister and PRN.
Humidifier set-up	On admission and weekly and PRN.
Respiration Bags	On admission. Disposable single patient use.