

PROJECT PRAKASH

KEY LEARNING POINTS

Training: Hepatitis Induction Program Topic: Disinfection and Sterilization in context of Viral Hepatitis Faculty: Ms. Cicily Babu, Senior Nurse Manager, ILBS Period: 2018 – 2020 Attendees: In-service Nurses

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- Disinfection: A process that kills or destroys many or all disease producing microorganisms on the inanimate objects.
- Sterilization: The complete elimination/destruction of all forms of microbial life by physical or chemical procedures.

Different levels of disinfection

High level	Intermediate level	Low level
Kills vegetative microorganism & inactive viruses, but not necessarily high no. of bacterial spores. e.g.: Glutaraldehyde, peracetic acid, chorine	Kills vegetative microorganism including bacteria, fungi and inactive most of viruses e.g.: betadine, Lysol	Kills most vegetative bacteria except mycobacterium tuberculosis. e.g.: 70% ethyl alcohol

Spaulding's classification of medical equipment's

Critical	Semi critical	Non-critical
Objects which enters normally sterile tissue or the vascular system. requires High level disinfection. E.g.: surgical instruments, implants, ultrasound probes.	Objects that touches mucus membranes or skin. requires Intermediate level of disinfection. E.g.: endoscopes, tonometer's etc	objects that touch only intact skin. requires Low level of disinfection Eg: bed pans, ECG leads, wheel chairs etc

Effectiveness of Sterilization process depends on

- Section and use of Sterilization method
- Monitoring the Sterilization process
- Post Sterilization handling and storage

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