

EMPLOYEE GLOVE GUIDANCE

TYPES OF GLOVES & USAGE



Sterile Gloves
for sterile procedures



Non-sterile Gloves
(nitrile, latex, medical vinyl)
for potential contact with
infectious materials



Non-medical Gloves
(vinyl)
for food handling, some
housekeeping duties and
handling of specimens
when medical glove
availability is limited



Utility Gloves
*(facility maintenance,
central sterile processing)*
for manual cleaning of
instruments and
decontamination with
harsh chemicals

BEST PRACTICES

DO

- > Clean hands before putting on gloves
- > Clean hands after removing gloves
- > Change gloves between tasks
- > Make sure gloves fit properly
- > Wear gloves in hemodialysis settings for all contact with patient or patient equipment
- > Follow your facilities policy on glove use

DON'T

- > Reuse or wash gloves
(except utility gloves when appropriate)
- > Substitute glove use for hand hygiene
- > Use gloves that are damaged or soiled
- > Touch your face while wearing the gloves
- > Use non approved hand lotions
- > Wear the same pair of gloves from patient to patient