

75204 Cleaning

(a)

The dialyzer blood and dialysate ports or attached tubing shall be capped with a clean and highly disinfected closure immediately after the patient dialysis treatment and isolated from any other dialyzers so as to preclude cross-contamination.

(b)

Cleaning of the dialyzer shall begin within two (2) hours after the completion of the dialysis treatment unless the dialyzer is stored under refrigeration within two (2) hours after treatment.

(c)

The cleaning solution shall be water, isotonic, or physiologic saline solution.

(d)

Dialysis facilities may use hydrogen peroxide or sodium hypochlorite (bleach) or other chemicals approved by the Federal Food and Drug Administration for use as a cleansing agent providing a suitable test is performed prior to storage of the dialyzer to insure against the presence of the cleansing agent in amounts which would critically degrade the structure of the dialyzer or pose a health threat to the patient.

(e)

The dialyzer shall be externally cleaned.

(f)

A length of clean, highly disinfected tubing shall be incorporated between blood ports or tubing and any permanent cleaning apparatus, and replaced after the cleaning procedure.

(g)

The cleaning solution shall be administered to the blood compartment and dialysate compartment for a sufficient time to assure that effluents are clear and free of clotted blood material.