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Library Of Care Things Cleaning Guide

Upcycled care equipment, for example: shower chairs, blood pressure monitors and wheelchairs can act as a vehicle for the transmission of infection between patients. In order to reduce the risk of transmission equipment such as this should be thoroughly cleaned before donating to the Library of Care Things.

Equipment Cleaning

Please clean all care equipment thoroughly before listing them. Thank you for your co-operation.

Recommended cleaning kit

- Cleaning product which removes grease (such as “Spray & Wipe”)
- Sponge cloth
- Old toothbrush/ brush
- Tea towel
- Satay sticks or toothpicks with cotton wool

Recommended techniques

- First, if it is appropriate, wash/wipe the equipment in hot soapy water, using a toothbrush to help clean dirty areas
- Rinse and dry the equipment with a tea towel
- While the grooves and edges are still damp, use your satay stick with the cotton wool on it to go around all of the edges, grooves, nooks and crannies to remove all of the dirt
- Bags, coverers etc may also require a wash if they are not clean
- Make sure equipment is properly dry before re-bagging or re-boxing

Special cleaning tips

- For any equipment used in the bathroom please wipe the equipment over with disinfectant prior to returning
- Do not soak wooden or electrical parts of equipment in water

Please help us with our packaging by:

- Packing small pieces in the snap-lock bags.
- Using elastic bands to contain similar items (like walking sticks).
- Securing bagged pieces (screws) to large equipment when appropriate