



COHESIVE HEALTHCARE MANAGEMENT & CONSULTING

Mangum Regional Medical Center

TITLE		POLICY
Cleaning of Hydrocollator		902
MANUAL	EFFECTIVE DATE	REVIEW DATE
Rehabilitation		
DEPARTMENT	REFERENCE	
Rehabilitation Services		

SCOPE: All rehabilitation staff responsible for the cleaning of hydrocollator at Mangum Regional Medical Center.

PURPOSE: To maintain proper operation and cleanliness of the hydrocollator unit and prevent nosocomial infection and cross-contamination.

POLICY: Hydrocollator unit will be cleaned following manufacturer’s guidelines on a biweekly basis.

PROCEDURE:

1. Unplug and drain tank completely from hose in base of unit into a drain.
2. Remove all hot packs and hardware from the interior of unit.
3. Wash interior of tank and hardware with a facility approved abrasive cleaner to remove deposits and stains.
4. Rinse tank thoroughly.
5. Rinse all hot packs before returning to unit.
 - a. Discard and replace any damaged/leaking packs.
6. Return all hardware and equipment into unit.
7. Refill tank with water (140°-160° F) ½ inch above hot packs.
8. Clean outside of unit with facility approved stainless steel polish.
9. Return unit to proper area and plug into electrical outlet.
10. The date and initials of personnel cleaning the unit shall be recorded on the Cleaning and Maintenance log.
11. Verify unit has reached operating temperature prior to initial use.

Per OSHA Requirements this task requires a Class III

REVISIONS/UPDATES

Date	Brief Description of Revision/Change

