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Specifications for Sterile Processing Packaging Materials, 32.12.02

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PURPOSE:

The purpose of this Policy is to outline the types of packaging used to process items in SPD.

POLICY:

Disposable packaging:

1. Only packaging approved by the FDA shall be used. Non-woven, disposable materials are recommended. This can include polypropylene wrap, steam peel pouches, and vaporized hydrogen peroxide peel pouches.
2. Method of packaging depends on the item and the manufacturers IFU's.
3. Wraps should be double ply. If using single ply wraps, be sure to wrap the item twice.
4. Envelope style wrapping and tamper proof tape will be used to ensure sterility.
5. Check packaging for all possible quality issues.

Details are to be included in the department's Standard Work Instructions.

Non-disposable packaging:

1. Aluminum and plastic canisters are forms of non-disposable packaging.
2. Canisters are to be in good condition with no dents or fractures.
3. Canisters are to be chosen based off of size and manufacturer's IFU's.
4. Tamper proof locks will be used to ensure sterility.
5. Details are to be included in the department's Standard Work Instructions.

Attachments

No Attachments

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