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<b>POLICY and PROCEDURE</b>	
<b>Title</b>	Decontamination of Equipment
<b>Manuals</b>	ADC-IC
	ALF-IC
	CAH-IC
	HOS-IC
<b>Approved By</b>	Date: <u>12/04/2015</u> By: <u>Erik Wood</u> Title <u>CEO</u>

<b>Highlights</b>	<b>Policy Statement</b>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Disinfecting/ Decontaminating Equipment</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Devices for Residents on Transmission-Based Precautions</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Removing Organic Matter</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Housekeeping and Nursing Services</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Infection Control Preventionist</b></p>	<p>Reusable resident care equipment/instruments/devices will be maintained and decontaminated according to manufacturer’s instructions to prevent resident-to-resident transmission of infections.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Procedure</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Reusable patient/resident care equipment will be decontaminated and/or sterilized between patients/residents according to manufacturer’s instructions.</li> <li>2. Wherever possible/practical, equipment and devices will be designated single-use for patients/residents who are on transmission-based precautions.</li> <li>3. Only equipment that is designated reusable shall be used by more than one patient/resident.</li> <li>4. Organic matter (visible dirt, blood, body fluids, etc.) must be removed prior to disinfection or sterilization of equipment.</li> <li>5. Housekeeping services and/or nursing staff will decontaminate and/or sterilize equipment as necessary, unless decontamination must be performed by an outside service agency.</li> <li>6. The Infection Preventionist (or designee) will ensure that appropriate decontamination procedures are followed.</li> </ol>

<b>Regulatory Reference Sources</b>	
<b>OBRA Regulatory Reference Numbers</b>	483.65(a); 483.75(b).
<b>Survey Tag Numbers (optional)</b>	