

## Your Guide to Infection Control and Prevention: A Webinar Series

### “Empowering Nurses to Protect Themselves and Their Patients: Device Reprocessing and Sterilization”

**WD2720 (SC)**

#### **AGENDA**

**JULY 12, 2017**

11:00am – 12:00pm EST

Welcome		Kate Wiedeman, MPH
Opening Remarks		Seun Ross, DNP, MSN, CRNP-F, NP-C, NEA-BC, American Nurses Association (ANA)
New Jersey State Nurses Association (NJSNA)	Device Reprocessing and Sterilization: What the Front Line Nurse Needs to Know	Christine Filippone, DNP, MSN, BSN, ANP, CIC, Director, Epidemiology/Infection Prevention, Community Medical Center
American Nurses Association/California (ANA/C)	Reprocessing and Sterilizing Medical Devices: Regulations, Policies, and Legislations	Marketa Houskova, MAIA, BA, RN State Director,  Senior Policy Analyst & Project Liaison, ANA\California  Brian Harradine, MSN, RN, CNOR, CAPA, Clinical Educator, Perioperative Services, Desert Regional Medical Center  Aaron McColpin, DNP, RN, FNP, RRT- NPS, CPFT, Assistant Professor of Nursing, California State University Channel Islands
National Association of Orthopaedic Nurses (NAON)	Bioburden and the Importance of Instrument Assembly and Disassembly	Marc Finch, CRCST, Director, Sterile Processing, Jewish and University Hospitals  Crystal Heishman, MSN, RN ,ONC, CIC, FAPIC, Infection Preventionist, University of Louisville Hospital

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Processing Flexible  
Endoscopes

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**PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:** Patients and providers always face the risk of the introduction of foreign pathogens that lead to infections during surgical and invasive procedures. The proper disinfection or sterilization of equipment utilized in these environments is essential to minimize the breach of host barriers and reduce the risk of person-to-person transmission of disease pathogens. This webinar will discuss the importance of bedside nurses in device needs reprocessing and sterilization, the current state of device reprocessing and sterilization policies and regulations, the bioburden and importance of assembly/disassembly of tools in decontamination, and evidence-based practices for processing flexible endoscopes.

**OBJECTIVES:**

- Describe infection control techniques that reduce the risk and spread of healthcare-associated infections (HAI).
- Identify unsafe practices that place patients at risk for HAIs.
- Describe best practices for infection control and prevention in daily practice in healthcare settings.

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Browser

**MATERIALS:** None

**TARGET AUDIENCE:** Physicians, Physician Assistants, Nurse Practitioners, Registered Nurses, Health Educators, Pharmacists, Epidemiologists, Laboratorians, Administrators

**PREREQUISITES:** General awareness of germ theory and basic level of infection control and prevention

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** Division of Healthcare Quality Promotion,  
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