

**MINUTES**  
**Standardization Committee**  
**Friday, July 11, 2003**

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Approval of June 13, 2003 Minutes – Deferred to September 12, 2003 meeting

**IV LABELS: RAINBOW-OF-COLORS TAPE (no drug names):** Ms. Matlock requested approval for tape dispensers with blank colored rolls of tape for use on 10D and 2J. At this time the labeling system for multiple IVs and push points is white tape or labels. When there are many of IV tubes they can run together and it can be hard to distinguish what's going where. The colored tape will be for labeling the infusion medication system modules and the push point. Use of the Alaris Medley Guardrail System will continue. The colored tape will be helpful for secondary infusions that have no channel label. A motion was made and approved that this product be approved as a special order item for use only in 10D and 2J.

**COST IMPLICATION REPORTS:** MMD now supports the 11E Continuous Glucose Monitor System program. Foley Catheter Plugs, sterile and non-sterile, have been added into regular inventory.

**CRC UPDATE:** April 2004 is the scheduled date for the building to be turned over to the CC. 'Turnover' is not synonymous with staff/patient occupancy but rather that the CC can enter the building and prepare for staff/patient occupancy.

**HEPARIN FLUSH SYRINGE LABEL AND U.S.P.N.SS SYRINGE LABEL:** During a recent JCAHO preparation inspection, a nursing unit was cited for label practices. There is a group from nursing council that will get together and iron this issue out. The Standardization Committee needs to approve the development of a label for Heparin Syringes and U.S.P.N.SS Syringe Labels, with operational and design aspects to be looked at by a sub-committee. Because pre-labeled posy-flush syringes may receive 'forward funding for the 2004 budget, the Committee placed this item on hold.

**IV LABELS – COLOR-A-DAY:** The current white IV tubing labels was distributed. Many units are having problems with compliance of changing the IV tubing at the appropriate time periods. There is color code to each day of the week. A 13West

evaluation of the color-a-day-IV-tubing labels had excellent compliance with changing the tubing per department procedure. There is a lot of interest from the other units in this practice with these labels. A motion was made and approved to standardize the generic CC IV tubing labels to the color-a-day system.

**ALARIS MEDLEY IV PUMP PROJECT-GUARDRAILS:** Biomed and Alaris Medley representatives will commence upload of Guardrails late July. Colored vinyl dots will be placed on each medication infusion system device once upload is complete. There will be no interruptions on patients who are on therapy. It will only take a minute or two to “flash” each medication infusion system programming module. Guardrails is not to be used by staff until training has been provided. Guardrail training will be conducted early August.

**SANDEL SAFETY MARKER EVALUATION:** The Sandel Safety Marker did not hold up to the prepping approach with Duro Prep. The Kendall marker marking remained after prepping tests. Vendors are still trying to see what they need to do for the dark skin patients. A motion was made and approved to place the Kendall sterile single use marker into regular inventory.

**GEMSTAR AMBULATORY PUMP IMPLEMENTATION STATUS:** These pumps are still on hold. Abbott is testing the pumps trying to reproduce the situations that occurred, and they are still checking the cassettes. David Kohler, Pharm D., is doing experiments with Taxol and BMS drugs. Samples were sent to California and Chicago to be tested. Abbott has provided the CC with a new tubing lot number. The Abbott Aim Plus Pump will continue as the CC Ambulatory Pump.

**AVAGARD D WALL MOUNTING PROJECT:** Dr. Evans and Dr. Henderson have requested a halt to any additional wall mountings. They are reviewing egress standards and JCHO information on wall-mounting alcohol based hand sanitizers. They will keep the Standardization Committee apprised.

**REUSABLE WELCH ALLYN BP CUFF:** There were two different styles of cuffs circulated. Approved for Inventory is the Tyco's Latex Free Silver Ring Hand Aneroid with trigger deflation. This will be available for the crash carts and limited take home use.

**ENTERAL FEEDING EVALUATION:**

In an effort to provide a safer work environment for our employees and patients, evaluation is recommended of the KENDALL Kangaroo<sup>®</sup> DEHP Free/Anti-Flow Enteral Feeding Set for Use with Kangaroo<sup>®</sup> Feeding Pump Gastrostomy Feeding Tube (Universal Y-Port Adapter) for Use with Kangaroo<sup>®</sup> Gastrostomy Tubes). A handout of the proposed evaluation was distributed to and discussed by the Committee. The Committee approved evaluation.

**KENDAL SHARPS CART, 8 GALLON EVALUATION:** The 8 gallon Chemo and sharp's styles are in regular inventory. This opens with a foot pedal to keep hands free.

**BIOGEL SKINSENSE GLOVES:** The three approved Regent Medical Biogel sterile gloves were circulated. The SkinSense N Universal (dark blue) is powder-free and latex-free; it will be the universal CC-wide sterile glove. The Biogel PI Polyisoprene (light blue) is powder-free and latex-free; it will be used when double gloving is indicated—usage will be limited to surgery, specials, and cath lab and as approved by MMD Nurse Consultant Service. The Biogel Super Sensitive (straw color) is powder-free and contains natural rubber latex; it will be used only as approved by MMD Nurse Consultant service (currently cath lab and specials). All other sterile glove products will be discontinued. Implementation will occur in late August...

**PRODUCT TRIALS AND INSERVICES 03:** Ms. Peduzzi distributed copies of the current 2003 schedule for product trials and in-services. Mr. Eldridge and the Committee commended Ms. Peduzzi for this service and suggested that this information be posted on a Nursing website.