

Leamington Mennonite Home
Long Term Care

**INFECTION CONTROL
POLICY AND PROCEDURE**

CATEGORY: Miscellaneous Cleaning	SUBJECT: Disinfecting Nail Care Instruments	SECTION: K POLICY: 7
DATE: September 2023	Administrator's Signature: _____ <i>J. M.</i>	
REVISION DATES:	IPAC Lead's Signature: _____ <i>L Coppola, RN.</i>	

DISINFECTING NAIL CARE INSTRUMENTS

POLICY:

To ensure that all nail care instruments are disinfected after each use using Preempt CS20 Disinfectant (Active Ingredient: Hydrogen Peroxide 7.0% w/w).

PROCEDURE:

- 1) Staff will don gloves and goggles prior to opening the container of Preempt CS20 disinfecting solution.
- 2) A suitable disinfectant jar or tray will be ¼ -½ filled with the disinfectant solution (adequate to submerge the instruments) and will be placed in each med and tub room.
- 3) After each nail care is completed the instruments are to be placed in the basket labelled 'Nail Clipper Requiring Cleaning' until they are placed in the container or disinfectant tray for 20 minutes. Instruments are to be washed and then dried prior to being submerged in the solution for proper disinfection.
- 4) After a minimum of 20 minutes, remove the instruments and rinse thoroughly with water and dry with a towel.
- 5) The sanitized instruments will be placed in the basket labelled 'Nail Clipper Sanitized - Ready to Use'
- 6) The disinfectant solution will be changed on the 1st and 15th of each month by the PSW working the Night Float position and the Registered Staff member working the Night Shift. The staff will sign the tracking sheet to indicate the completion of the task and the compliance duty sheet.