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**MILWAUKEE COUNTY EMS
STANDARD OF CARE
DECONTAMINATION OF
NON-DISPOSABLE EQUIPMENT**

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Every effort will be made to reduce the risk of transmitting potentially communicable diseases to our patients.

- Laryngoscope blades, Magill forceps, obturators and other metal objects in contact with the airway of a patient are to be scrubbed with hot water and soap to remove all secretions, rinsed thoroughly and then soaked for a minimum of 20 minutes in 1:10 dilution of 5.25% sodium hypochlorite (bleach) or 70% Isopropyl alcohol. A fresh solution should be used for each disinfection and the metal rinsed with water and air-dried before reuse.

NOTES:

- No equipment is to be cleaned in a sink used in food preparation, cleanup or routine handwashing.
- The following equipment is required to be used on a one-time bases:
 - ◆ Bag-valve mask
 - ◆ Endotracheal tube
 - ◆ Oxygen tubing
 - ◆ Oral airway
 - ◆ Nasopharyngeal airway
 - ◆ Suction tubing
 - ◆ Pocket mask