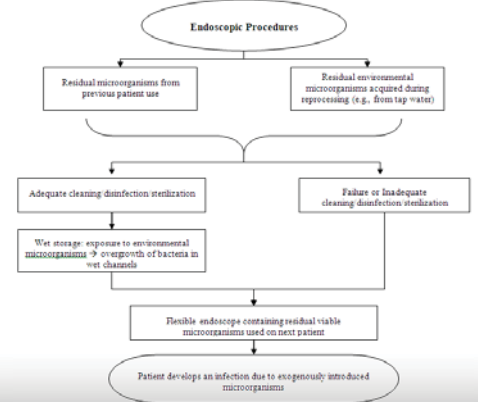


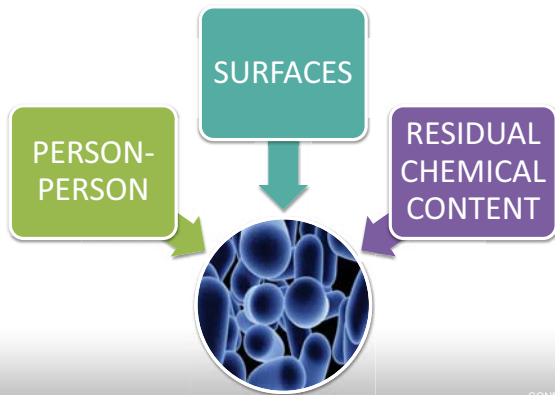
## INFECTION PREVENTION

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## Exogenous Source of Microorganisms



## Cross Contamination: Definition



## TOP 10 Technology hazards for 2014

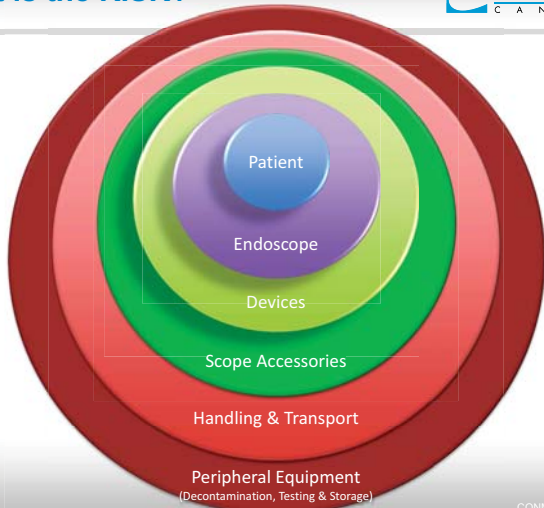
### THE LIST FOR 2014

1. Alarm hazards
2. Infusion pump medication errors
3. CT radiation exposures in pediatric patients
4. Data integrity failures in EHRs and other health IT systems
5. Occupational radiation hazards in hybrid ORs
6. Inadequate reprocessing of endoscopes and surgical instruments
7. Neglecting change management for networked devices and systems
8. Risks to pediatric patients from "adult" technologies
9. Robotic surgery complications due to insufficient training
10. Retained devices and unretrieved fragments



From #8 in 2013  
to #6 in 2014

## What is the RISK?



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## INFECTION PREVENTION

## Key Preventive Measures



### Major causes:

- lapses in currently accepted endoscope reprocessing protocols
- Defective equipment

### Each step is important:

- Brush all channels & accessories even if not used
- Completely immerse in HLD
- Soak for required time
- Check concentration or MEC every time
- Follow manufactures instructions
- Change water filters regularly
- Leak Test



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## Safe Reprocessing



### GOALS of safe reprocessing include:

- Infection control & prevention
- Minimizing damage to medical equipment/devices from foreign material (e.g. blood, body fluids, saline and medications) or inappropriate handling
- Minimizing time from the point of use to the medical device cleaning and decontamination

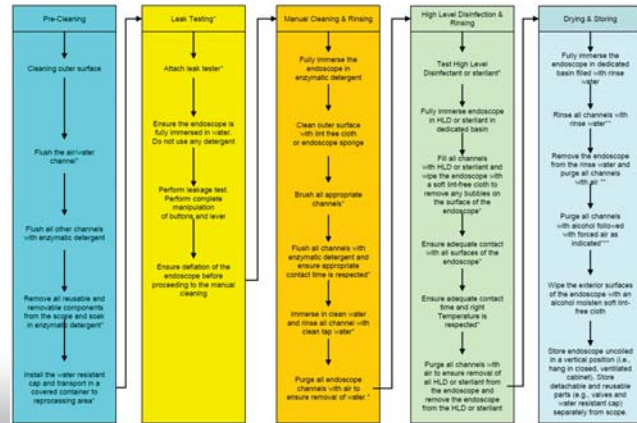


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## Valves & Water Bottles

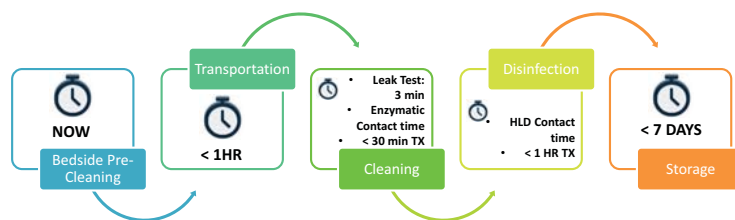
- Be aware of the issues involved in accessory device selection.
- Outbreaks involving removable parts such as suction valves have been reported.
  - Removal from the endoscope
  - Manual cleaning
  - High level disinfection / sterilization
- Water bottle + connecting tube should receive **high-level disinfection or sterilization at least daily**
- **Sterile water** should be used to fill the water bottle
- **Each ERCP procedure** requires a fresh sterile bottle with sterile water

## Reprocessing Overview



## FLEXIBLE ENDOSCOPES & ACCESSORIES Reprocessing Steps

## It's all about TIME as per CSA Z314.8-14



- Pre-cleaning**
  - ALL channels should be flushed (used or unused)
  - Should be flushed with enzymatic detergent (Some OEM specify water but validate conditions\*)
- Transportation**
  - Scopes should be transported in a closed protective container
  - Scopes should be maintained moist
- Cleaning**
  - Leak test (minimum 3 minutes)
  - Wait 30 seconds prior to immersing (confirm pressurization)
  - Automated Cleaning & leak testers should be used
- Disinfection**
  - Use timer to validate HLD contact time & Submicron-filtered water
- Drying and Storage**
  - Alcohol flush and air purge are a must (Air purge again even if AER does it)
  - Cabinets with HEPA-filtered air and channel purge
- Accessories**
  - Need a minimum of daily reprocessing (per procedure for ERCP), Follow OEM instructions
  - Always keep separate from the endoscope in storage



## 2014 Reprocessing and Sterilization of Reusable Medical Devices

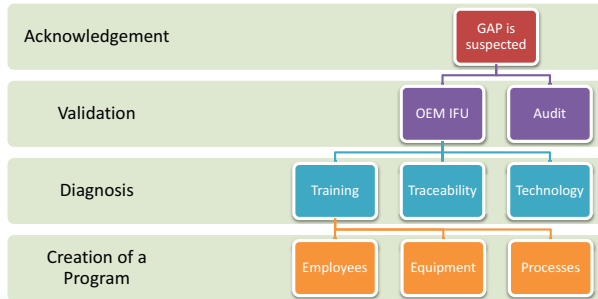
- Section 1 Building a high performance reprocessing service**
  - Focus on educating and training all teams members
  - Focus on reprocessing processes (as per Manufacturer)
- Section 2 Complying with good reprocessing and sterilization practices**
  - Focus on reprocessing equipment and processes (as per the manufacturer)
  - Focus on staff safety
  - Focus on documenting practices
- Section 3 Selecting, installing and maintaining reprocessing equipment**
  - Focus on maintaining and using equipment as per Manufacturer
- Section 4 Monitoring quality and achieving positive outcomes**
  - No internal reprocessing of SUDs
  - Focus on Manufacturer's instructions for reprocessing

## Canadian Standards in GI



## ENDOSCOPE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

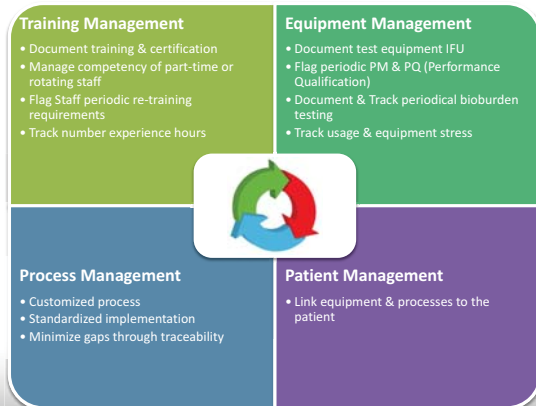
## Now what?



## Summary

1. Complex Medical Devices
  - Dirty devices potential biofilm formation  $\geq 1$  Hr.
  - Clean devices potential bacterial growth if WET + 24 Hrs.
2. Cross-contamination can occur
  - High volume of procedures / Lack of equipment
  - Complicated instructions
  - Inconsistent processes
3. There is a SOLUTION...Understand the tools available!
  - Acknowledgement
  - Validation
  - Diagnosis
  - Create a Program

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