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Title: Blood Culture Collection with Povidone-Iodine

Test: Blood Culture

Explanation of change:

Due to limited supply (manufacturer backorder) of Chloraprep applicators, Povidone-Iodine swabs can be used as a temporary replacement for blood culture collection site preparation.


Instructions:

1. Prep blood culture site with friction scrub using alcohol pad for 30 seconds.
2. Follow with Povidone-Iodine swab* applied in 2 to 3 inch concentric circles (starting in the center and working outward).
3. Allow to dry at least 1-2 minutes before venipuncture. Do NOT waft hands over or blow on the sterile site!

The venipuncture site is not fully clean until the disinfectant has fully evaporated.

4. Cleanse site after venipuncture with alcohol to remove any iodine.

*If the patient is allergic to iodine, use a second alcohol pad in place of the Povidone-Iodine swab.

Backordered Product	Temporary Replacement
	

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