

## Point of Care Testing Update

### NEWSLETTER

#### Glucometer Cleaning and Disinfection Process

1. Please note that Nova Biomedical requires both cleaning and disinfection of the glucometer using a specific process. As part of our preparation for The Joint Commission Accreditation Survey, we would like to provide a visual aid and reminder.
2. The appropriate process after every test is to use one wipe to clean the external surface of the meter, then use a second wipe to disinfect by wiping 3 times horizontally and then 3 times vertically on all sides of the meter and the barcode scanner. Gently wipe the test strip port without allowing any fluid to enter.

### Cleaning and Disinfecting of the Nova Statstrip Glucometer

#### Two Simple Steps:

Glucometers must be cleaned after every use. The Sani-cloth wipes pictured below have been validated for use.

The Joint Commission inspectors may request to observe a patient test – this cleaning and disinfecting process is included!

#### Cleaning:

Clean the entire external surface of the glucometer thoroughly with an approved wipe. Discard the wipe and get a fresh second wipe to disinfect.

#### Disinfecting:

Disinfect the meter by wiping 3 times vertically and 3 times horizontally on all sides. Gently clean the test strip port making sure no fluid enters.

Follow the appropriate wet times:



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