

HIGH DESERT HEALTH SYSTEM AMBULATORY SURGICAL CENTER

SUBJECT: II-135 ADMITTANCE OF NON-ASC PERSONNEL	POLICY #: 1033
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PURPOSE: Establish guidelines for admittance of Non-Ambulatory Surgical Center (ASC) personnel to the ASC.

POLICY: All non-ASC personnel, upon entering the ASC, will adhere to all ASC policies and procedures regarding attire, traffic patterns and infection control.

PROCEDURE:

1. All personnel wishing to enter the ASC must check with the Nursing Supervisor or Manager prior to entry and when leaving the area.
2. All personnel entering the ASC must change into scrub suits, wear shoe covers and hair covering. If it is a short-term visit, a disposable jump suit may be worn with shoe covers and hair covering. If entry is to the Operating Room (OR) a mask must be worn, unless all cases are completed for the day.
3. All tools and equipment brought into the ASC must be thoroughly washed/wiped with the currently approved disinfectant solution. After cleaning of equipment, personnel must wash hands thoroughly.
4. All nitrous and oxygen tanks must be cleaned in like manner before being brought into the suite.
5. A set of tools and equipment, for use in the ASC by maintenance personnel, is kept in the men's locker room.
6. Maintenance personnel may enter the OR to do repairs only when there are no surgical cases in progress, unless it is an emergency.

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