## Hand Hygiene and Connect Care Devices Information Sheet

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Connect Care devices will be designated as either patient or healthcare environment depending upon their use and cleaning schedule. This designation determines best hand hygiene practice.

Examples of Patient Environment	Examples of Healthcare Environment
Workstation on Wheels (WOW) that is cleaned between patients	WOW that is not cleaned between patients
<b>WOW</b> that is specific to one patient and was cleaned after the previous patient e.g. Bedside isolation	WOW in the hallway
Fixed Work Station in a semi-private room that is NOT shared between patients	Fixed Work Station in a multi-patient room that is shared between patients
Fixed Work Stations in a single patient room	Fixed Work Stations in the hallway or nursing station
Rover that is cleaned between patients	Rover that is not cleaned between patients
Signature Pad that is cleaned between patients	





Device in Patient Environment	Device in Healthcare Environment
<ul> <li>Hand hygiene must occur before initial contact with the device.</li> <li>Additional hand hygiene moments are not required when moving between the patient and device, except:         <ol> <li>If you begin a clean/aseptic procedure</li> <li>If you access clean/ sterile supplies (including gloves and linens)</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Hand hygiene must occur every time you move from the device to the patient, and from the patient to the device.</li> <li>Additional hand hygiene must occur between working on the device and beginning a clean/aseptic procedure and before accessing any clean/sterile supplies. Including gloves and linens.</li> </ul>





