**PPNO List Serv Query Summary Part 3**

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Our IPAC dept has a policy on the use of ultrasound gels in sterile and non sterile procedures. Do any other organizations have a similar policy and if so under which department does the policy reside? Clinical practice? Diagnostic imaging or Infection control?

Has anyone ever had an issue with cross contamination occurrences in relationship to use of US gels?

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| Corinne Savignac, R.N., BScN, Nurse Clinician General Internal Medicine705-523-7100Extension 3315**Health Sciences North | Horizon Santé-Nord**41 Ramsey Lake Road Sudbury, Ontario P3E 5J1  E-mail: csavignac@hsnsudbury.cahttp://intranet/portal/Portals/35/HSN_logo.jpg | Here is our medical gels policy and procedure. The policy is “owned” by Infection Control but resides in clinical policy and procedures.  |  |
| Danielle Sangiuliano Interim Charge Technologist and Clinical Coordinator of RadiologyQuinte Health CareBelleville General613-969-7400 ext 2378 | In regards to your question about a policy of ultrasound gel, to my knowledge QHC does not have a policy on the use of ultrasound gel sterile or not. In clinical practice we use sterile gel for procedures that require a sterile set up, for example PICC lines, to reduce the risk of contamination. We only use regular ultrasound gel when its a procedure that requires not sterile set up. |  |

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