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Hand Wipes

An accessible patient hand hygiene solution



Improving patient hand hygiene

Why is patient hand hygiene lacking in healthcare?

Product availability

Hand hygiene products are rarely made available for patients¹. Those with reduced mobility, or with surgical drains in place, have difficulty accessing hand washing basins or alcohol dispensers^{2,3}.

Educational support

Patients believe that hand sanitising products are made available for healthcare workers rather than themselves, and that staff hand hygiene needs outweigh their own⁴.

Staff engagement

Staff support was critical in determining whether patient hand hygiene occurred as they prompted almost 80% of the patient hand hygiene events¹.



46.7%

of patients weren't **satisfied** with their ability to maintain their hand hygiene within the hospital¹

Real world results

Loveday et al. *Journal of Hospital Infection*. 2021;49(6):740-7452.t

By implementing a patient hand hygiene bundle across 6 wards, researchers **increased patient hand hygiene compliance from 13% to 60%**.

Their bundle sought to address the barriers to compliance they identified.

After implementing the patient hand bundle, compliance grew to 60%.

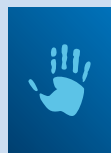
The key finding that made the intervention successful was the accessibility of the wipes (next to a patient's bedside) and that packs were readily available for staff to use for a patient who needed assistance, e.g. after using the commode or before meals.

Overall, patients reported that they liked having the wipes available so that they could clean their hands themselves.

The patient hand bundle comprised:



Hand wipe pack of multiple wipes provided to each patient.



Patient information card advising patients when to perform hand hygiene with the hand wipe pack.



Staff protocol for patient hand hygiene advising opportunities for staff support to encourage patients to clean their hands.

Clinell Hand Wipes



The perfect bedside companion

Developed in response to the work performed by the University of West London, Clinell Hand Wipes are the perfect hand hygiene solution for patients.

Our patient-friendly packaging includes helpful usage reminders, informing patients when the best times to carry out hand hygiene are. Clinell Hand Wipes are the solution to patient hand hygiene. Now available in an individual patient pack of 30 wipes, the perfect coverage for an average patient's hospital stay.



Effective on dirty hands

Unlike alcohol-based hand rubs, which can only be used on 'visibly clean hands,' Clinell Hand Wipes clean and remove microorganisms from hands as effectively as soap and water⁵.



Kills 99.99% of bacteria and viruses⁶

Developed from the patented formulation used in our Clinell Universal Wipes, Clinell Hand Wipes kill 99.99% of bacteria and viruses in 30 seconds.



Suitable for sensitive skin

Dermatologically tested, pH balanced and skin-friendly. Our skincare research programme is recognised by The British Skin Foundation.

Training & support

Product availability is only part of the story. To improve patient hand hygiene we need to engage staff including usage reminders and on-the-wards training from our dedicated Clinical Educators.

Find out more

For more information about Clinell Hand Wipes or other products, please visit www.gamahealthcare.com or contact your local GAMA Healthcare Area Manager.

Product	Unit of issue	Product code	NHSSC code
Antimicrobial Hand Wipes patient pack	Pack of 30	CAHW30	VEP85007
Antimicrobial Hand Wipes extra-large pack	Pack of 200	CAHW200	MRB1213
Antimicrobial Hand Wipes box of 100	Box of 100 individual sachets	CAHW100	VJT177
Antimicrobial Hand Wipes dispenser	(for CAHW100)	CAHWD	-

About GAMA Healthcare

Clinell Hand Wipes are made by GAMA Healthcare, an infection prevention specialist dedicated to reducing the risk of infection to save and improve lives.

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