



PREFERRED PODIATRY GROUP

Infection Control Policy

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General Policy

All PPG providers must follow the infection control policy of any facility where they provide care, as well as federal, state, and local guidelines.

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

Wear single-use disposable gloves for all exams/treatments (provided by PPG). Contact nursing staff before entering rooms with warning signs. Use gown, mask, or face shield as required. Notify facility if a health risk prevents a visit.

Hand Hygiene

Wash hands with warm water and soap for at least 15 seconds after each patient. Scrub palms, backs, and between fingers. Dry with paper towel. Use antiseptic gels only when water is unavailable.

Sharps Handling

Do not recap needles or return blades to wrappers. Know the location of sharps containers before use; use portable bins if available.

Towels & Linens

Use disposable towels or facility linens per policy. Replace between patients. Dispose of contaminated items per biohazard procedures. Follow facility policy for spills of blood or bodily fluids.

Instrument Sterilization

Rotate four sets of nail nippers (color coded). Submerge instruments fully in disinfectant for at least 15 minutes between patients.

Specimens

Handle cultures and pathology specimens per facility and lab policy. Understand procedures before specimen collection.

Provider Health

Annual TB testing required; results submitted to PPG office. Providers who are ill should reschedule rounds if feverish, coughing, or sneezing

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