

# MEDICAL GLOVE BEST PRACTICES

## Part 2

Medical gloves are personal protective equipment and an important component of infection control strategy. Research demonstrates that the quality of glove barrier protection can change during use. The risk of glove perforation has been correlated with duration of wear, wearing behavior, and the stress gloves are subjected to during wear. This edition reviews best practices to prevent glove barrier failure and subsequently better protect you and your patient(s).



### THE NEED TO CHANGE SURGICAL GLOVES

The OR is a unique environment with inherent peculiarities that increase the chance of surgical glove failure.

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### THE NEED TO CHANGE EXAMINATION GLOVES

For examination gloves, one simple method may be to change them every 15 minutes!

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