

Table - Latex Safe Precautions in a Hospital or Clinical setting

Non-latex glove use ONLY

Allergy alert band for the patient

“Latex safe precautions” placard on door to patient room

Check all medical devices for latex content

No latex contact to skin or mucosal surfaces of patient (no source for inhalation)

No intravenous valves inline

Inject medication via stopcock devices instead of injector ports on tubing

Operating Room – schedule as the first case of the day if powdered gloves in prior use in O.R.

Multiple dose vials – take top off or change needle after drawing up medication

Premedication – not necessary when strict latex safe precautions used

Ideal – Latex gloves used should be powder free and low in allergen for non-latex allergic patients

Ban powdered latex products manufactured by dipping process from building (e.g. balloons)
