

Guideline Update: Preoperative Patient Skin Antisepsis 2021

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Outcome

On completion of the presentation, you will have knowledge of currently updated AORN recommendations for preoperative patient skin antisepsis and will be able to transfer that knowledge into practice.

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Objectives

- Recognize the impact of decolonization, preoperative bathing, and bundled interventions on reducing skin flora and surgical site infections.
- Discuss considerations for implementation of decolonization in the surgical population.
- Describe evidence for selecting antiseptics used in surgical site preparation.

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