

## **USE OF PATIENT-SPECIFIC STETHOSCOPES**

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- There should only be one stethoscope per patient in each room.
- » This is a disposable stethoscope for use by all caregivers.
- » This is the ONLY one needed for patient care.
- » The stethoscope is to be reused between caregivers.
  - Disinfect with a disinfecting wipe between uses.
- » Store in patient room in a manner to prevent contamination (i.e. out of patient zone)

If there is no stethoscope in the room, please request/obtain a single-patient stethoscope from supplies.

