Phoebe Putney Health System, Inc.

POLICY TITLE: Reuse of Safety Glasses Protocol Work Instructions

ENTITY: PPHS

Approved by: Infection Prevention **Effective Date**: 3-14-20

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Contact Information: Infection Prevention Specialist

Scope:

Purpose: The purpose of this policy is to provide step by step guidance for the reuse of safety glasses

Definitions: N/A

Policy:

Procedure:

- 1. Don Safety Glasses prior to entering patient room. These may be worn continuously while you are on the unit unless soiled with blood and body fluids or respiratory secretions.
- 2. If safety glasses are removed practice hand hygiene immediately after removal.
- 3. If glasses are soiled with blood or body fluids and/or respiratory secretions place in biohazard container to be destroyed.
- If glasses are not soiled, you may clean with alcohol prep and let air dry prior to reuse or storing for re-use during your shift. Practice hand hygiene immediately before and after cleaning.
- 5. At the end of the shift, please remove the safety glasses prior to leaving unit and place in dirty (orange) container for cleaning. Practice the hand hygiene immediately before and after handling.
- 6. The dirty glasses will be transported to CSP for cleaning, glasses will be returned as clean in blue container.
- Call OPS support line for exchange of containers the Soiled-Orange and the Clean- Blue.
 Please note this is usually at shift change unless soil bucket becomes full prior to change of shift.