Single-use Medical Device

List of Approved Exceptions

Dates of approval	Single-use Medical Device	Exceptions
25 May 2014	Medela Breast Pump Kits	For single-patient use (nursing mother) in accordance with AHS clinical policy and procedures PS – 16 Expressed Breast Milk – Safe Management.
12 April 2016	Pessary devices used for size- fitting purposes (CooperSurgical Milex™ pessary devices and Bioteque pessary devices)	Reprocessing and reuse of permanent pessaries labeled single-patient use when used for size fitting purposes
26 June 2018	Catheters used for intermittent urinary catheterization	Cleaning and reuse of intermittent urinary catheters for single-patient reuse in Home Living and Supportive Living ONLY. Follow cleaning instructions.
26 June 2018	Drainage bags used with indwelling urinary catheters	Cleaning and reuse of drainage bags used with indwelling urinary catheters for single-patient reuse in Home Living, Supportive Living and Long-Term Care/Facility Living ONLY. Follow cleaning instructions.
22 July 2026	Metered Dose Inhaler (medication canister only)	Reuse of metered dose inhalers (MDIs) labelled as “single patient use” between multiple patients in outpatient adult and pediatric Pulmonary Function Labs. Follow cleaning instructions in the pulmonary function SOPs available in your department.

The above list of exceptions to the Critical and Semi-Critical Single-Use Medical Devices Policy has been approved in accordance with the Government of Alberta Reusable & Single-Use Medical Devices Standard and Ministerial Directive #D4-2019 authorizing AHS to grant such exceptions.

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