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The Cerner Patient Observer (CPO) camera is used to virtually monitor patients who are at high risk of falling. The device is made up of four cameras and contains a computer. Follow the provided guidelines to prevent damaging the camera during cleaning. The camera pole should remain in its current position while performing routine cleaning in the patient room.

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### Cleaning the Cerner Patient Observer (CPO) Camera

**IMPORTANT:** Patients with C-Diff are contraindicated for Virtual Observation.

- To avoid damaging the camera, follow these guidelines:
    - Never spray or squirt liquids directly onto the camera or its components.
    - **NEVER USE BLEACH or BLEACH PRODUCTS** on any part of the camera.
    - **Gently** wipe the device with a piece of a soft, dry cloth or slightly moistened cloth.
    - Keep fluids away from the interior of the camera.
    - Never drop any objects or liquids through the openings of the camera.
  - **Cleaning Tools**
    - Cloth
      - Although paper towels or tissues can be used, a soft, clean piece of cloth is recommended when cleaning the camera.
    - Water or rubbing alcohol
      - A cloth moistened with water or rubbing alcohol can be used to clean the camera.
    - Using Solvents
      - The use of solvents is **NOT** recommended when cleaning the camera as they may damage the plastic parts.
    - Vacuum Cleaner
      - Using a vacuum specifically designed for computers is one of the best methods of cleaning the camera.
        - Dust and dirt can restrict the airflow in the camera and cause its circuitry to corrode.
    - Cotton Swabs
      - Cotton swabs moistened with rubbing alcohol or water are excellent tools for wiping hard to reach areas.
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- Foam Swabs
  - Whenever possible, it is best to use lint free swabs such as foam swabs for cleaning.

➤ **Manufacturer Recommended Cleaning Agents Available at NLH**

- Sani-Cloth Wipes