



Winter 2012 CQI Learning Points:

Zoll Monitor Cell Phone Issue:

- 📞 In order to keep your Zoll E Series monitors connected with the 12 lead transmission cell phone, you should reset it by turning the phone off and back on each morning.

Norovirus:

- 📞 There have been many cases of the Norwalk virus ("Norovirus") in the county recently and apparently many commercial disinfectants don't kill it. A diluted bleach solution (1:10) will kill Norovirus, but doesn't do a good job on MRSA. So we did a little research and found a commercial disinfectant called "Hepastat" that seems to kill everything. You can buy it online.
- 📞 Alcohol based hand cleaners don't kill Norovirus either, so wash those hands...

Proper Use of Exam Gloves:

- 📞 Marshall Hospital has been seeing a lot of medics using their medical exam gloves as a place to write down patient information. This is a violation of hospital policy and will not be tolerated in the ER. Please write down info on paper, cloth tape, iPads, or use some other method of remembering patient info. Gloves should be immediately discarded upon removal from your hands. The hospital staff appreciates your cooperation!

To 12 lead or not to 12 lead:

- 📞 All chest pain patients should have a 12 lead EKG performed, even if you're convinced it's not a cardiac event.

Trauma Triage Forms:

- 📞 Please continue to print and fax copies of the trauma triage forms to the base hospital coordinators. The iPCR does not automatically perform that function yet.

