

CLEAN AND SAFE HEALTH FACILITIES PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION MANUAL



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Forward

The federal ministry of health of Ethiopia has been doing considerable effort to improve access and quality of medical services for the citizens. To address the gaps related to quality of the service, different strategies and intervention has been designed and being implemented in the facilities. One of these is the clean and safe health facilities (CASH) initiative.

There was a general consensus that the cleanliness of the health facilities particularly the hospitals are not up to the expectation of acceptable standards and remains to be the source of public complaints on hospitals. The cause of the problem is considered to be not only infrastructural related but mostly attitudinal problem related to the practices for cleanliness and safety.

The CASH initiative was launched in 2014 with recognition of the unsanitary and unsafe conditions in most of the Hospitals in the country. The objective of CASH initiative is to improve the cleanliness and safety of health facilities and reducing health care-associated infections. The implementation supported by use of the national audit tool developed and used for assessment, identify gaps and intervene in the facilities.

Implementation of CASH has brought considerable improvement in some of the Hospitals; however, further efforts are needed to maintain the results and scaling up into all facilities including health centers.

Thus, this manual is developed and revision to the audit tool is made in order to strengthen the implementation of CASH based on the implementation experiences and adapting relevant approach and indicators to guide the intervention, monitoring and evaluation. It is expected all health facilities in the country will apply the manual and audit tool in order to ensure clean, safe and people centered health services.

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Acronyms

CASH: Clean and Safe health facilities

CSD: Clinical service directorate

HCAI: Health Care Acquired infection

HCFs: Health Care Facilities

HSQD: Health Service Quality Directorate

IPPS: Infection prevention and patient safety

UNICEF: United Nations International child Fund

WASH FIT: Water, sanitation and Hygiene Facility Improvement Tool

WHO: World Health organization

I.Introduction and back ground

Health care facilities (HCFs) need to be safe, effective and patient-centered within the context of quality of health care delivery. Cleanliness of health facilities is an important determinant of quality of care and patient satisfaction. It is not possible to have a good health facility without being clean and tidy. Health facilities needs to be responsive to the values, beliefs and culture of patients in all aspects as well as creating a healing health care environment.

The essence of good cleaning is not only that thing look clean but they are also safe in terms of not transmitting infectious agents. This calls for measurement of cleanliness both in aspects of environmental cleanliness as well as safety measures. It makes a statement to patients and visitors about the attitudes of staff, managers and the senior management board in their efforts to provide quality care and in the way the health facilities are organized and run. Excellence in patient care is dependent on getting the basics right, making sure that the patients is cared for appropriately and that the general environment is clean, comfortable and safe. Patients should also be the corner-stone in the whole health care delivery process. There has been increasing consensus that the cleanliness of the health facilities particularly hospitals are not up to the expectation of acceptable standards and remains to be the source of public complaints. According to SPA (2014), two-third of the sample facilities had an improved water source within 500 meters and 81percent) have a functioning client latrine. Health centers and health posts had lesser improved water source, which was 71% and 45% respectively.

Thus, clean and safe health facilities (CASH) initiative was launched in recognition of the unacceptable conditions of the health facilities in relation to cleanliness and safety conditions. Many hospitals had weak health care waste management system and WASH provisions. Besides, the hospitals compound and floors are crammed with old furniture and equipment making the hospitals unclean to sight. Service areas such as cleaning, kitchen, laundry, facility management are not well developed. The problem

was deep rooted in the society so much so that people associate bad odors with hospitals. The cause of the unacceptable situations in the HCFs is recognized to be partly attitudinal problem which was rampant among the facilities community. Consequently, the CASH initiative gives focus to attitudinal change intervention at all levels to improve the condition. The other important element is the Audit tool which was developed to guide and track the intervention and found to be an important tool.

Remarkable achievements were achieved in some of the Hospitals which implemented CASH in effective and innovative approaches. The assessment of CASH in selected hospitals in July 2016 in collaboration between FMoH and WHO identified that key enabling factors of CASH which include: effective leadership and governance; mentorship and peer-to-peer learning activities; patient, family and community engagement; and accountability mechanisms. The intervention covered aspects of WASH and environmental health supported by the national developed audit tool. There is need to revise the tool and develop implementation manual to guide the implementation.

This manual and revised audit tool is intended to provide guidance on the approaches of CASH program implementation at scale and sustainably.

1.1 Goal and Objectives of CASH

The objective of CASH is create clean and safe HCFs is to improve the cleanliness and safety of health facilities and reducing health care-associated infections to contribute to quality of health care and people centered health service.

Specifically, create safe environment for patients, attendants, visitors, staff and members of the general public; increased patient confidence in local health care settings in relation to environmental hygiene and the organizations commitment to prevent health care associated infections.

CASH program has important linkages with a number of health service delivery purposes including quality universal health coverage (UHC), infection prevention and control (IPC), and child and maternal health. Clean and desirable HCFs is an essential component to achieving several Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), including SDG 3 — ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages — and SDG 6 — ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all.

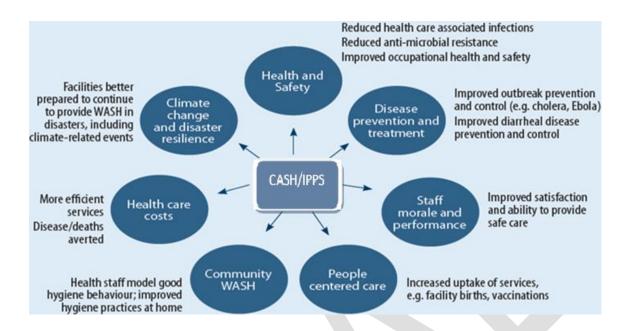
II. Objective and scope of the Manual

The primary objective of this manual and audit tool is to provide evidence and expert consensus recommendations on how to implement Clean and safe health care facilities program sustainably and on the standards included in the audit tool to be in place at all health care facilities to improve the current situation of cleanliness and safety problems.

CASH has been implementing in all public health facilities from primary health care unit to tertiary level Hospitals. Emphasis shall be given to facility management, safe and adequate Water supply, Sanitation and Hygiene practice of health care facilities including health care waste management, infection prevention and patient safety.

III. Benefits of CASH Implementation

Clean and safe HCFs can increase demand and trust in services, improve the quality of care, strengthen staff morale and performance and reinforce the role of staff in setting societal hygiene norms. In addition, such services strengthen the resilience of health systems to prevent disease outbreaks, allow effective responses to emergencies, including natural disasters and outbreaks, and bring emergencies under control.



IV. Definitions

Below are the descriptions applicable to the key terms used in this manual.

Cleaning: procedure that physically removes all visible dust, soil, blood or other body fluid, from inanimate objects as well as removing sufficient number of microorganism to reduce risk for those who touch skin or handle the object.

Patient Safety: - is the prevention of errors and adverse effects to patients associated with health care. While health care has become more effective it has also become more complex, with greater use of new technologies, medicines and treatments.

Infection prevention: is a systematic effort or process of placing barriers physical, chemical and mechanical) between a susceptible host (person lacking effective natural or acquired protection) and the pathogenic microorganisms.

Environmental health: - addresses all the physical, chemical, and biological factors external to a person, and all the related factors impacting behaviours. It encompasses the assessment and control of those environmental factors that can potentially affect health.

Environmental hygiene: is a group of activities that aims to protect people from dangerous conditions arising from unsanitary shelters, HCFs, feeding centers, air etc. These conditions include unsanitary water supplies, waste disposal, and housing structures.

Healthcare associated infection: Is a term used interchangeably with "healthcare facility acquired infection" or "healthcare associated infections (HAIs)" and is defined as a situation in which patients coming to health institutions seeking treatments acquire an infection/s in healthcare facility afterwards other than diseases/health problems they had. It is a time related criterion which refers to Infections occurring more than 48 hours after admission

V. Guiding principles and strategies

5.1 Guiding principles

- Clean care is safe care
- Cleanliness is more of attitude than structure
- Cleanliness is everybody's responsibility
- Health facilities are healing places

5.2 Strategies

Some of the key intervention approaches to be followed are:

- Engage all staffs on CASH
- Promotional intervention to influence the attitude and behavior of staff, patients/clients on cleanliness and safety practices
- Sustained advocacy, communication, capacity building and learning on CASH
- Conduct regular ongoing cleaning campaigns
- Integrate CASH/IPPS activities incremental improvement plan on annual plan and progress performance reports
- Create a sense of ownership and make CASH/IPPS everyone's priority agenda on patient/care giver forum, community forum etc
- Development and implementation of cleaning manual, standards and tools

- Provision of enabling environment for CASH including infrastructures and supplies
- Conducting internal and external audits and establish incentive and reward mechanism

VI. CASH technical domains

Three of the major thematic areas (components) of CASH are:

- Management and Structure
- Facility management
- Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH)

VII. Implementation Framework

Five process phases of CASH implementation are indicated below.



It is adapted through integration of the WHO (2017) developed WASH in HCFs facility improvement tool (WASH FIT). It provides description of a risk-based and continuous improvement framework for undertaking water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) improvements as part of wider quality improvements in HCFs.

Phase 1: Preparation and organizing

This phase is an important part of the program to meet the set objectives and it involves below indicated functions:

- Establish CASH/IPPS committee at facility level and sub-teams dealing with different technical domains and develop ToR including role and responsibilities
- Establish CASH governance structures and including assigning focal persons
- Provide orientation on CASH implementation manual and audit tool for staff
- Adapt guidelines, strategies and tools for CASH
- Develop and implement ccommunication and advocacy strategy
- Identify and engage stakeholders on CASH program
- Allocation and mobilizing resources
- Launch CASH program for the facility

Phase 2: Assessment

Assessment will be conducted using *CASH audit tool*. This is a problem identification phase which also helps to identify the baseline and the progress. Each indicator of the standards will be assessed and score given in three categories: green color (signifies the indicator is fully met), yellow (intermediate fulfilled) and red (signifies the indicator is not met). The count of each of the categories and proportion (%) to be identified for: the total indicators, by technical domains, by standard and each of the indicators. These indicate the status of the facility and the gaps/problems.

Example: Summary of the assessment finding

Domain	***	**	*
WASH			
Facility management			
Structure and management			

For each of the problems, it is important to identify related causes through discussion with staff at different level. The causes can be identified on three possible roots: *resource*, *people* (skill and motivation) and *process* related problems.

Causes Assessment

Problem/gap	Cause		
	Resource	People	Process

Beside the audit tool indicators, outcome indicators and the status need to be identified. These involve service utilization, facility based injuries and infections, and patient/client satisfaction.

Different units could have varying risk condition; below table indicate the risk levels associated with different units.

Functional areas risk category

Category 1: Very High Risk	Category 2: High Risk
Control of infection wards & areas	CSSD, Accident and Emergency
cohosting	Isolation rooms and catering facilities
infectious patients	Day Hospital/Day services including
Intensive Care Units	Chemo Day ward/OPD including
Neonatal ICU	Treatment rooms & Clinical Consult

Operating theatres/Endoscopy

Renal Dialysis Unit

High Risk Patients

Immune compromised patients

Rooms /Radiology

Where invasive procedures are carried

out, e.g. Vascular and neuroradiology,

barium studies, etc.

Treatment/Clinical Consulting rooms

Wards-Maternity, CCU and surgical

Category 3: Moderate Risk

Wards-All other ward types

Day activity areas (Noninvasive)

Rehabilitation area

General pharmacy

Laboratory, including pathology

Mortuary

Radiology& Medical Imaging

OPD, Treatment & clinical consult Rooms

(Noninvasive)

Public thoroughfares

Residential/On-call /overnight

accommodation

Physiotherapy

Occupational Therapy

Main stairwells

Category 4: Low Risk

Administrative areas

Non-sterile supply areas

Record Storage and archives

Engineering workshops

Plant rooms

External Surrounds

Central Stores

Fire escapes

Library

Meeting Rooms

Retail areas

Staff Change Facilities

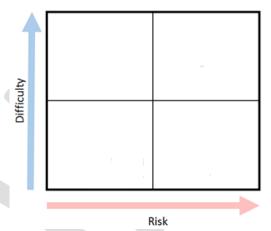
Phase 3: Planning

The problems and related causes identified will be further assessed for prioritizing intervention area or activities. This can be made based on *risk analysis* and *feasibility to*

intervene the problem or the gap during given time period and resource.

The planning process may follow:

- Prioritize intervention area or activities
- Identify the resource required,
 responsibilities and timeframe
- Develop an improvement plan



Phase 4: Implementation

The implementation process may involve:

- Developing detail activities timeline
- Taking action per the set timeline on action plan
- Communicate and hold meetings with key individuals to investigate how actions are progressing and identify any barriers to progress

Phase 5: Auditing, Monitoring and Evaluation

Monitoring the progress of the CASH/IPPS implementation at all levels is very important to track the progress and identify best practices. Overall auditing / assessment using the nationally prepared audit tool is expected to be conducted every six months. An audit process is conducted to improve facility cleanliness and safety according to the standard. Timely and effective feedback and reporting is required by the facility itself.

Hospitals report is integrated in the Hospitals performance monitoring indicators (HPMI). As part of monitoring and evaluation of the initiative, the activity report is also important and mandatory to the respective next level organizations.

VIII. Audit process

As indicated on the implementation framework, auditing is conducted as part of baseline assessment and progress monitoring. Proposed standards are indicated for each of the thematic area indicators.

The aim of setting standards of cleanliness is to ensure that everyone can determine whether the hospital is sufficiently clean irrespective of the service provided. This requires measurement to ensure standards are met. A documented monitoring plan ensuring all functional areas are assessed in accordance with their risks is important.

There are three levels of auditing procedure: *technical*, *managerial* and *external*. An audit process at technical, managerial and external level should be considered to ensure hospital cleanliness and safety as per the standard. Timely and effective feedback and performance information should be provided following the audit process. Targets and outcomes for achievement should be shared for wards and the hospitals as a whole and teams need to be encouraged to steadily improve performance.

The duration and frequency of each audit activity will be determined in the national manual for auditing and respective hospitals are expected to adopt accordingly.

The **technical audits** include regular audits by frontline supervisory staff such as cleaning services heads and ward or department managers and it is performed as part of the daily management and supervision of cleaning services.

Managerial audit include regular scheduled multidisciplinary team audits that form part of the ongoing management supervision of cleaning services. Multidisciplinary audit

team members should include cleaning service head, nurse managers, technical services manager, IP specialist, food services manager, and patient representative, etc.

Additionally, patient attendants could effectively be utilized to conduct audit of respective wards in collaboration with ward head nurses. With proper guidance and orientation by the hospital professional, patient attendants can assume responsibility of ensuring respective patient rooms' cleanliness. This assignment should be voluntary and based on rotation basis making sure that all attendants in the ward assume responsibility.

External audit are done to validate the internal audit process and provide an independent and objective assessment of cleanliness and safety. These can be facilitated by an external team or a monitoring unit and conduct at least once in a year. Personnel involved in auditing should have a detailed knowledge and understanding of HCFs and hospital cleaning services, be competent to judge what is acceptable in terms of cleanliness and safety.

The audit findings shall be used to constantly improve the cleanliness and safety condition as well as provide recognition and awards to most improved HCFs. The recognition process would be integrated in to the recognition mechanism of the Ethiopian health institutions alliance for quality (EHIAQ) initiative.

Proposed frequency internal audit and response time

Risk area	Frequency for Internal Audit	Time frame for corrective action
Very High Risk	Two times a week	Immediately
High Risk	Weekly	Immediately
	Monthly	Within 24 hour or up to a week
Moderate Risk		depending on infection and
		safety risk

Using the Audit Tool

- The audit tool has a total of 31 standards for a Hospital and 28 standards for health center. Each standard has indicators (specification criteria) are that facilities are expected to fulfill.
- During auditing/assessment different means of verifications are used
 - ✓ Review documents
 - ✓ Observations
 - ✓ Interview

The audit tool is designed and convenient to check and tick each verification criteria on the assessment tool.

- Standards that fully met the verification criteria (100%) score and labeled Green
- Standards that partially met the verification criteria (above 50%) score and labeled yellow
- Standards that partially met the verification criteria (below 50%) score and labeled Red.

The CASH audit score can be calculated using the below formula and can also be used for each thematic area and to calculate the overall audit score.

Number of standards met / total number of standards * 100%

IX. Role and responsibilities

Ministry of Health (MOH):

- Responsible to oversee the initiative nationally.
- Prepares national policy, guideline, manuals, standards and tools.
- Provides capacity building on cleaning to RHBs and health facilities.
- Supports the efforts for cleanliness by providing financial, material and technical support.
- Mobilizes resources for the initiative.

- Conducts sustained advocacy and communication to mobilize the public
- Develop monitoring and evaluation framework and conduct regular M&E
- Documents best practices and prepare change package for scale up
- Conduct external audit of cleanliness and safety of health facilities and recognize best and worst performing hospitals.

Regional Health Bureau (RHB):

- Oversee the regional health facility clean and safe initiative
- Establish relevant regional governance structure to oversee the initiative
- Conduct sustainable advocacy and mobilization to the public
- Liaise with MOH cleanliness project unit to implement the initiative
- Mobilize resources
- Conduct regular M&E with the regular time table and provide regular feedback
- Document best practices and prepare change package for scale up
- Conduct external audit
- Provide support for the health facilities

Health Facilities:

- Organize multi-professional teams to coordinate and facilitate the CASH implementation process
- Mobilize and allocate resources (human and supplies)
- Conduct baseline and ongoing health facility assessment and prepare plan
- Make CASH/IPPS everybody's agenda (Through HDA, staff forum, caregiver forum)
- Prepare and sign service level agreements with departments/case teams/ and staff.
- Mobilize and engage all staff, care givers, and patients on regular ward & facility wide cleaning campaign.
- Implement and continuously monitor the standards for CASH/IPPS
- Develop facility level policy & procedure on cleanliness and safety and arrange orientation for all staff, patients, attendants and visitors.

- Improve water supply system by making alternate/backup water sources
- Establish a system of monitoring & evaluation to keep track of CASH implementation
- Design recognition mechanism for best performing departments/case teams to create a positive competitive environment .
- Monitor and support the initiative

CASH/IPPS coordination committee within a facility

- Develop CASH specific action plan and cascade to department/Case team level
- Support the implementation of the facility CASH plan
- Conduct ongoing CASH/IPPS assessment, use the assessment for improvement plan, and give feedback to facility management/SMT & department/Case team
- Conduct regular team meetings, set action points at each meeting and document minutes
- Provide training to clinical and non-clinical staff, e.g. cleaners, technicians
- Organize facility wide cleaning campaign
- Establish surveillance and report system for HCAI
- Monitor and support health posts and HEW

Full time Environmental health officer/designated person

- Act as a secretary at CASH/IPPS implementing team
- Follow facility CASH/IPPS practice regularly
- Conduct daily supervision to key function areas and give information to CASH implementing team
- Participate on senior management team representing CASH implementing team

Department /case team

- Develop
 - Comply with checklist distributed by CASH implementing team
- Supervise the cleaning of respective departments
- Make CASH/IPPS a priority agenda of HDA to change attitude on cleanliness
- Conduct regular cleaning campaign at department/case team level
- Provide report to CASH implementing team

All staffs

- Every staff is responsible to keep his/her working area clean and safe all the time
- Practice CASH/IPPS standards at all time at work
- All staff should attend trainings organized by the facility
- All staff expected to participate department and facility level CASH campaign
- Expected to report when there is cleaning problem in the working area

Patients (other clients);

- Practice hand washing regularly using soap and water:
- Have regular washes, showers or baths and wear pyjamas. Please ask hospital staff if you need any assistance.
- Expect staff to have washed their hands before having direct contact with you.
- Please remember that you can ask health facility staff to wash their hands they will be happy to do so, as your health is their priority.
- Keep your room/bed space tidy and uncluttered so staff can clean more easily.
- Expect your room to be cleaned every day.
- Do not store food items and utensils on the bed sides.
- Expect to have fresh bed linen and pyjamas at least once a week.
- Tell the nurse in charge if you are concerned about cleanliness.
- Let staff know immediately if you have diarrhea or vomiting
- Dispose wastes in the right labeled containers

Attend health education sessions in the health center.

Visitors / Care givers:

- Do not visit if you are unwell and minimize your visits especially if it is outbreak.

 Try to keep your visits to a minimum if there is an outbreak of diarrhea and vomiting on the facility/ward you are visiting. Ward staff will advise you.

- Plan your visits so there are only two people at the bedside at any one time.

- Do not sit or sleep on any patients beds.

- Comply to appropriate hand washing practice using soap and water

- Do not touch relative/friends' wound or any medical equipment provided for them.

- Check with nurses/other staff before bringing children to wards for visit.

- Tell the staffs if you have concern on hygiene and sanitation

- Ask the staff what items are allowed to bring to the hospital

You may have to take special precautions if the person you are visiting has an infection and is put into isolation away from other patients on a side ward. Please follow the advice that ward staff give you.

- Do not touch, sit and sleep on patient bed side

- Ask the health workers during visiting time which material is allowed and forbidden

Implement hand Wash practice at critical time

Dispose wastes in the right labeled containers

Care for the health centers cleanliness

Attend health education sessions

Annexes:

Annex 1: CASH Audit tool for Hospitals

Annex 2: CASH Audit tool for Health centers

Annex 1

CASH AUDIT TOOL- HOSPITAL

Clean and safe health care facility(CASH) Audit Tool					
Hospital General Information					
Date of Assessment					
Hospital Name					
Region, Zone/Sub city, Dist	rict/ woreda				
CEO	Name				
	phone no				
	Email				
CASH focal person	Name				
	phone no				
	Email				
Number of Staff(Total)					
Number of Environmental					
health officers					
Number of Staff					
(Cleaners)					
Number of Staff(Laundry					
staffs)					
Name of Assessors					

1. CASH Structure and management

No	Standard	Verification Criteria	9	Score)	Remark
			***	**	*	
1	Management, commitment, support and coordination	 □ Governing board support & monitor CASH/IPPS activities □ SMT establish a system to support and monitor CASH/IPPS activities □ SMT ensure adequate resource allocation (human & budget for material & supplies) □ Department performance assessment and mechanism of recognition in place 				
2	Functional/Ac tive CASH/IPPS coordinating committee	 □ Updated TOR for the committee □ Availability of annual CASH specific operational plan at focal point, committee and SMT □ Conduct regular meeting at least quarterly and minutes should be documented □ Conduct progressive assessment quarterly & report should be sent to SMT □ All hospital health professionals, laundry staffs, kitchen staffs and 				

		housekeeping staffs should be		
		trained on CASH/IPPS		
		□ Conduct Hospital wide Campion at		
		least quarterly with focusing		
		changing the attitude of people		
3	The hospital	□ Involvement of all		
	has a	departments/units		
	strategy to	□ Involvement of patients		
	improve the	□ Involvement of communities		
	implementati	□ Involvement of senior physicians		
	on of CASH.			

2. Facility Management

No	Standard	Verification criteria		Score)	Remark
			***	**	*	
4	Protective	□ Fence which surrounds all the				
	Surrounding	hospital ground which will not allow				
	fence	the entrance of pets and other				
		animals with a functional gate				
		☐ Safe especially for psychiatric and				
		pediatric patients				
		☐ At least with two gates that could				
		aid in case of emergencies.				
5	External	☐ Hospital external ground (at least				
	ground	5m-20m from the fence) is free				
	appearance	from any hospital & community				
	and tidiness	generated waste				

6	The hospital	□ Tidy and well maintained internal
	should have	ground
	good Internal	□ Free abandoned medical
	compound	equipment/ old cars, etc
	appearance	□ Designated social green
	and tidiness	areas/parks with seating facilities
		□ Clinical and General waste
		containers placed only in
		recommended places
		□ Clearly marked, well lit, and safe
		walk ways including from parking
		area
		□ Electrical wires are secured and
		safely fixed within the compound
7	The hospital	□ Easily visible Hospital sign
	has an	directing people from around
	appropriate	(approximately 3- 5 meters from
	Signage so	floor level, framed, legible text and
	as to make	visible at day and night)
	accessible for	□ Clear signage in the hospital
	clients/patient	showing the name of the hospital
	S	wards, departments, clinics,
		hazards, etc
		□ Signs on doors, toilets, etc
		described/written either in pictures,
		words or both and consistent in

appearance Signs for toilets are visible from all patient areas The hospital Clean, tidy, and free from cracks has a Clean Hospital buildings
patient areas 8 The hospital □ Clean, tidy, and free from cracks
8 The hospital Clean, tidy, and free from cracks
has a Clean Haspital buildings
has a Clean Hospital buildings
and tidy □ Drainage system within and
Hospital around hospital building(s) e.g.
buildings & gutters, pipes, etc, should be free
immediate from any obstructions, e.g.
surrounding vegetation
□ Doors, windows, and window
frames are clean, not damaged,
properly fixed, and painted
9 The hospital □ Visibly clean, free from any
should have obstacles, well lit and suitable for
clean and any whether condition
safe Hospital Stairs, steps and lifts, internal and
building external, including all component
corridors and parts, are visibly clean and well-
waiting area maintained
☐ Waiting area with adequate space,
clean & not damaged chairs, and
health education program
10 The hospital ☐ Defined and posted time
ensures good (schedule) for visitors
Traffic flow Restrict only authorized persons at
management those high risk areas
11 The hospital Continuous electricity availability
has a regular (24/7) in the hospital with backup

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	supply safe	source
	Electric	□ All electric lines, switches, sockets,
	supply	and ventilation grills are properly,
		insulated, and safe
12	The hospital	☐ The Hospital has Fire safety plan
	has a Fire	□ Fire Emergency drill conducted at
	safety plan	least annually
		□ Contact address in case of fire
		emergency posted on working
		areas
		□ Staff trained on fire safety
		□ Functional fire extinguishers
		(expire date is up to date) placed
		at easily recognizable place.
		□ Functional & annually inspected
		water hose
13	The hospital	☐ There are adequate number of
	practices	cleaners per the standard
	Housekeepin	□ There is adequate cleaning
	g works	supplies
		□ Cleaning work plan developed and
		implemented
		□ Established system for monitoring
		cleaning activity
14	The hospital	☐ Established system/mechanism for
	has Pest &	pest and rodent control
	rodent control	(outsourced or trained and
	system	assigned personnel)
		□ Regular pest & rodent

		control/inspection every 3 month		
15	The hospital	□ Free from internal sound		
	has Noise	disturbance (e.g. sounds from		
	pollution	generator, constructions,		
	control	workshop, etc)		
	system	□ No noise pollution sign should be		
		posted inside the compound		
16	The hospital	□ All rooms/service areas have		
	has Adequate	adequate natural or artificial light		
	Ventilation	access		
	and	□ All service areas/rooms are well		
	Illumination	ventilated with natural or artificial		
		system		

3. Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene

3.1 Water

No	Standard	Verification criteria		Score)	Remark
			***	**	*	
17	The hospital	□ Improved water supply piped into				
	ensures	the facility or in premises				
	availability	□ Water available at all times (24				
	of adequate	hrs/day7 days a week) and of				
	water	sufficient quantity for all service				
	supply	areas.				
		□ A reliable drinking water station is				
		present and accessible for staffs,				
		patients and care givers at all times				

		and all locations/wards.
18	The hospital	□ Water storage is sufficient to meet
	has	the needs of the facility for 2 days
	appropriate	□ Drinking water is safely stored in a
	Storage/Re	clean bucket/ tank with cover and
	servoir to	tap
	ensure	□ Reservoirs are made from rust
	continuous	resistant material
	water	□ Cleaning of reservoirs conducted
	supply	on regular base twice a year (at
		least every six month)
		□ Reservoirs placed at least 50 cm
		above the ground and are
		protected with surrounding fence.
19	The hospital	☐ Hospital have a water safety plan
	should have	□ All water pipelines are installed
	Water	underground and free from leakage
	safety plan	□ Water is tested regularly four times
		a year through collecting a
		representative sample
		☐ Drinking water from the reservoir
		has appropriate chlorine residual
		(0.2mg/l or 0.5mg/l in emergencies)
		and recorded regularly (weekly)
20	The hospital	☐ A separate male and female shower
	should have	for in-patient wards (one shower per
	adequate	40 patient) with continuous water
	Showers	availability and light
		☐ A separate male and female staff

shower		
□ Free from any solid and liquid waste		
□ Visibly clean wall-attached shower		
chairs (free from blood and body		
substances, scum, dust, lime scale,		
stains, deposit or smears.)		
☐ Showers have a door with lock. If		
there is no door, privacy curtains		
should be installed		

3.2 Sanitation and Waste Management

No	Element	Standard		Score		Remark
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21	The hospital	□ Availability of proportional toilet to				
	should have	patient ratio (one toilet to 20-24				
	adequate	patients)				
	rest room	□ Separated for male and female				
		patients/clients				
		□ Separated for patient and staff				
		□ Visibly clean from any solid and				
		liquid waste				
		□ Free form bad odor				
		□ Ensure privacy with functional door				
		and lock.				
		□ Adequate functional artificial light for				
		the night time.				
		☐ At least one toilet meets for				
		menstrual hygiene management				
		(tap water inside the room etc)				

		□ Toilets at maternal waiting
		area/maternity ward are suitable for
		pregnant mothers
		☐ At least one toilet meets the needs
		of people with reduced mobility.
		□ Functional hand hygiene stations
		(running tap water, soap, dust bin,
		etc) within 3 m from latrines.
		□ Functional waste bin
22	The hospital	☐ Health care waste management
	should	manual/SOP available in clinical
	practices	areas
	Proper	□ Functional waste collection
	solid Waste	containers for 1) non -infectious
	manageme	(general) waste, 2) infectious waste
	nt system	and 3) sharps waste in close
		proximity at necessary service point.
		□ Waste correctly segregated at all
		waste generation points.
		□ Separate functional waste transport
		equipment for clinical, domestic and
		in the case of Mercury & other toxic
		materials
		□ Domestic waste pit(for burning of
		non-infectious waste) and burial
		pit(for the burial of non-combustive
		waste) free from odor/offensive
		smell
		□ Dedicated ash pits available for

		disposal of incineration ash
		□ Fenced and protected waste storage
		and disposal site (burial pit,
		incinerator, placental pit, etc)
		□ Separated storage area for
		Hazardous and non-hazardous
		waste before treatment/disposal of
		or moved off site.
		□ Appropriate personal protective
		equipment for all staff in charge of
		waste transportation, treatment and
		disposal.
23	The hospital	□ Functional and well-designed
	should have	incinerator (type)
	an	□ A trained person is responsible
	appropriate	operating incinerators
	and	□ Sufficient energy/temperature supply
	functional	for incinerator for complete
	Incinerator	combustion
24	The hospital	□ Clean and functional placental pit
	should have	without unpleasant or distasteful
	an	odor
	appropriate	□ Anatomical- pathological waste is
	and	put in a dedicated pathological
	functional	waste/placenta pit, burnt in a
	placental pit	crematory or buried in a cemetery
	(Where	
	applicable)	
	The hospital	□ Proper liquid waste management

25	should	system with sewerage line
	practices	connected to a municipal or own
	Proper	septic tank.
	Waste	□ Functional liquid waste treatment
	manageme	system before discharging from the
	nt system	facility
		□ Sewerage lines connected from
		liquid waste generation points
		source are free from any leakage
		□ Separate sewerage line & septic
		tank for pathogenic/chemical waste
		and general/non infectious
		connected

3.3 Hygiene

No	Element	Standard	Sco	Score		Remark
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26	The hospital	□ Functioning hand hygiene stations				
	has Proper	(running tap water, soap, alcohol				
	hand	hand rub, etc) are available at all				
	hygiene	points of care/service area and				
	stations	waste disposal site				
		□ Visibly clean sink and wall-attached				
		dispensers/soaps				
		□ Hand hygiene promotion materials				
		clearly visible and understandable at				
		key places.				
		☐ Hand hygiene compliance activities				

		are undertaken regularly.		
27	The hospital ensures hygiene and cleanliness of all rooms	are undertaken regularly. Visibly clean, shine, washable & uniform physical appearance floor with no cracks and holes Visibly clean & washable wall surface and ceiling including skirting with no cracks and holes All furniture's (chairs, tables, commodes/lockers, curtains/screens, mirrors, and notice board) are visibly clean and not damaged All parts of the bed (including mattress, bed sheets/linen, bed frame, wheels, castors, patient pajamas, and bed nets) are visibly clean and not damaged All medical equipments (weighing scales, drip stand, oxygen cylinder, autoclaves, baby incubator, etc) are visibly clean and non functional stored away from the room The waste receptacle are visibly clean and covered Beds for patients separated by a		
		edge.		
28	The hospital	□ Developed, posted and practiced		

should	SOP at least for Dish washing &
ensure	Food Safety
Food	□ Separate kitchen room and store are
hygiene	□ Kitchen room& store visibly clean,
practices	well ventilated, odor free, well lit and
	free from rodents
	□ Food preparation & serving
	equipments are visibly clean, not
	damaged, not stained, and free from
	rust
	□ Food transportation carts are made
	from aluminum with functional door
	□ Dishwashers are three compartment
	with detergent, and running hot and
	cold water
	□ Cutting boards are made from plastic
	(propylene plastic)
	□ All food handlers have regular
	medical checkup every three month
	□ The Hospital provides food hygiene
	training twice a year for all food
	handlers
	□ All food handlers wear the
	recommended PPE while on job and
	apply personal hygiene practice
	□ Fridges and freezers are available
	separated with food type
	□ All fridges and freezers are visibly
	clean, temperature monitored, and

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		with functional gage
		□ The Hospital establish functional
		food safety monitoring team
29	The hospital	□ Staff dresses clean uniforms with
	should	name and job title identification
	ensure	□ All staff wears proper PPE on task
	personal	specified
	hygiene and	□ Staff uniforms are not allowed in
	appearance	staff canteens/restaurants
	s of staff	
30	The hospital	□ Prepared, posted, and applied SOPs
	ensures the	for linen processing.
	availability	□ Designated area for sorting soiled
	of	and non soiled linen
	Laundry/Lin	□ At least two separately designated
	en	sink system for soaking soiled linen
	processing/	□ Adequate laundry machines for
	service	washing, twisting, drying, and
		ironing.
		□ Sufficient and separate trolleys for
		transporting clean/washed, soiled,
		and non-soiled linens.
		□ Two separate door system for
		receiving soiled and exit of cleaned
		linen
		□ Separated room for cleaned linen
		with clean and not damaged shelves
		□ Designated, adequate, clean, and

		protected place for natural air drying		
		that can serve in any weather		
		condition		
31	Instrument	□ Prepared and posted SOPs and job		
	processing	aids for instrument processing.		
		☐ Staffs properly follow the		
		recommended steps of instrument		
		processing soon after the procedure		
		(i.e. decontamination, cleaning,		
		sterilization and storage).		
		□ Adequate and functional instrument		
		processing machines are provided		
		□ Clean and protected shelves for		
		processed/sterilized instruments		
		☐ Instrument processing machines are		
		calibrated (preventive maintenance)		
		annually		
		☐ Instrument processing equipments		
		(buckets, tooth brush, etc) are clean		
		and not damaged		