

Despite this information, a review of Joint Commission survey data identified either a lack of awareness of the requirements or misinterpretation of manufacturer's instructions — combined with lack of staff training and leadership oversight — related to the instructions for use for both the devices used for ophthalmology examinations and procedures, as well as cleaning and disinfection products.

- **Have an individual who is knowledgeable about the different types of disinfectants review the product label and instructions for use. If instructions are unclear, technical services for the manufacturer of the item and any products used in conjunction with reprocessing should be contacted.**

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