



Links Medical Products Inc.®

## Cleaning & Disinfecting the Gluco Navii Blood Glucose Meter

It is Links Medical Product's policy to advise healthcare professionals to clean and disinfect blood glucose meters between each resident test in order to avoid cross-contamination issues. Whether your facility uses an alcohol based solution or a bleach based solution should depend upon your individual resident requirements and your facility's disinfection protocol.

Links Medical Product's cleaning and disinfecting guidelines are as follows:

**Gluco Navii Cleaning Guidelines:** Use a lint free cloth dampened with soapy water or isopropyl (70% - 80%) to clean the outside of the blood glucose meter

**Gluco Navii Disinfecting Guidelines:** To disinfect the meter, dilute 1 mL of household bleach (5% - 6% sodium hypochlorite solution) in 9 mL of water to achieve a 1:10 dilution (final concentration of 0.5% - 0.6% sodium hypochlorite). The solution can then be used to dampen a paper towel (do not saturate the towel). Then use the dampened towel to thoroughly wipe down the meter.

Please note that there are commercially available 1:10 quaternary/alcohol wipes and bleach wipes from a variety of manufacturers. Professional Disposables Inc (PDI) is an example of a manufacturer that offers both of these options. Their product offerings include:

- **Super Sani-Cloth® Germicidal Wipe – ideal disinfection for most residents and hard surfaces**
- **Sani-Cloth® Bleach Germicidal Disposable Wipe – ideal disinfection for residents with C-Diff**

Both germicidal wipes mentioned above are EPA registered wipes that are compliant with the CDC guideline for disinfection and sterilization in healthcare facilities and are readily available through major medical distributors. When using any disinfection wipe, take extreme care not to get liquid in the test strip dock or key code parts of the meter. With all recommended glucose meter cleaning methods, it is crucial that the Gluco Navii meter be completely dry before testing a resident's glucose level. Please follow the disinfectant product label instructions to ensure proper drying time.

While there are many other options for disinfecting blood glucose meters, Links Medical Products has not tested the effectiveness of these products on the Gluco Navii meter. If you use a product or method other than those that we've recommend above, you should document accordingly in your cleaning protocol.

If you have any questions, please contact our Customer Service Department at (888) 425-1149. For more information about the PDI wipe chemical composition or efficacy, visit [www.pdipdi.com](http://www.pdipdi.com) or contact them at (800) 999-6423.

Thank you for your continued support with the FORA GD20 blood glucose meter.

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