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 **WHTM 01-01 – Decontamination of medical devices within acute services Part E: Alternatives to steam for the sterilization of reusable medical devices**

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Part E of this Welsh Health Technical Memorandum covers low temperature (non-steam) sterilization processes, such as the use of vapourised hydrogen peroxide gas plasmas and ethylene oxide exposure.

It is intended as a technical guide for management, for technical personnel with appropriate training and experience, and for users responsible for the procurement, maintenance, validation and operational management of non-steam sterilization systems used as part of the decontamination cycle of reusable medical devices within the healthcare environment.

It will also be of interest to microbiologists, infection control officers, architects, planners, estates managers, supplies officers, and others in both the public and private sectors.

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