

### CARE AND MAINTENANCE OF VACUUM VALVES

**AFTER EACH PATIENT** - DRAW CLEAN WATER THROUGH THE INSTRUMENT, WORK THE VALVE OPEN AND CLOSED SEVERAL TIMES: THIS WILL FREE DEBRIS.

DAILY CARE - USE A STIFF BRUSH AND MILD DETERGENT TO CLEAN INTERNAL SURFACES.

# FOR VALVES WITH THREADED TIP, REMOVE TIP AND CLEAN THREADS.

AS NEEDED - WHEN OPERATION OF VALVE BECOMES DIFFICULT, REMOVE SPOOL, INSPECT AND CLEAN ALL PARTS INCLUDING O-RINGS. REAPPLY O-RING LUBE DCI #8031 AND REASSEMBLE. REPLACE O-RINGS IF FOUND TO HAVE NICKS OR MISSING PORTIONS.

SURFACE DISINFECTING - SOME DISINFECTANTS THAT WILL NOT ADVERSELY AFFECT THE INSTRUMENTS ARE: BIREX SE®, SPORICIDIN®, COLDSPOR, PROCIDE-D® SPRAY, STERALL PLUS SPRAY, ASEPTICIDE, BIOCIDE, PROMEDYNE, IODO-FIVE, WESCODYNE AND CAVICIDE.

#### ULTRASONIC CLEANING OF VACUUM VALVES IS NOT RECOMMENDED.

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# WARNING

SODIUM HYPOCHLORITE OR BLEACHING AGENTS WILL DAMAGE THIS INSTRUMENT AND VOID MANUFACTURER'S WARRANTY.

# **STERILIZING**

ALL DCI HVE AND SE VACUUM VALVES HAVING A METAL (SILVER) BODY CAN BE STERILIZED BY THE FOLLOWING METHODS:

STEAM AUTOCLAVE, CHEMICAL VAPOR OR DRY HEAT.

# CAUTION

ALL DCI VACUUM VALVES HAVING PLASTIC (BLACK) BODIES CAN NOT BE AUTOCLAVED (SEE CARE AND MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE OF CARD).

STERILIZATION TEMPERATURE SHOULD NOT EXCEED 275°F (135°C); 6 MINUTES HOLDING TIME, MINIMUM. ALSO AVOID INSTRUMENT CONTACT OF STERILIZER WALL, AND AVOID CLOSE PROXIMITY TO HEATING ELEMENTS.

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