

Personal Services at Temporary Events

Information Sheet: Non-Invasive Services

What are Temporary Personal Service Facilities?

Temporary personal service facilities are defined as those operating in a temporary location for a period of 14 days or less per year. **Non-invasive** services offered at these events are those that are not intended to break or puncture the skin or mucous membranes, examples include face/body painting, henna, glitter tattoos, cosmetics, massage, waxing for hair removal, and hair services.



Face Painting (<https://parish.gaparish.org/apps/pages/fishfry>) and glitter tattoo (<https://briebrieblooms.com/theme-park-fun-glitter-tattoo-instead-of-face-painting/>)

What are the Risks?

The risks associated with non-invasive personal services are low but may be magnified at temporary events due to site limitations (e.g., sink availability, space allotted, etc.). These risks may include:

- Infections due to improper hand hygiene, the re-use of items intended to be single use, inadequate cleaning/disinfecting of re-usable equipment/tools in between clients, and the contamination of bulk items such as wax, face paint, and cosmetics;
- Skin irritations or damage due to products used in the service including eye injury from glitter; and
- Allergic reactions to products used during the service.

Do I Need to Apply for Approval?

Approval is not required. It is recommended that you contact the local Public Health Inspection office at least **14 days** prior to event and provide information regarding the proposed services and event space. Some considerations are as follows:

- Ensure sufficient supplies are on hand for the duration of the event.
- Ensure adequate hand washing facilities are available at the event. At service vendor site, hand sanitizer must be present as a minimum. The local public health inspector may require a temporary hand wash station as well depending on the extent of the services provided.
- Change covers/sheets (launder or provide disposable type) and disinfect surfaces in-between clients. Ensure adequate waste disposal is available.
- Only provide services on clean intact skin, avoid providing services to persons with severe acne, sunburns, rashes, cuts, cold sores, eye infections, and any other type of open sores/wounds.

Cleaning, Disinfection, and Infection Control Considerations

Disinfection Chart

The **Saskatchewan Personal Service Facility Best Management Practices** (SK BMP) should be reviewed prior to event. Reusable tools and all surfaces should be properly disinfected between each client. Some commonly encountered items used during non-invasive services and their associated disinfection requirements are listed below. Refer to “Instrument Reprocessing – Disinfection” Fact Sheet for further information and examples.

| ITEM | CATEGORY | LEVEL OF DISINFECTION |
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| Combs, scissors, barrettes | Non-critical | Low-level Disinfectant or Single-Use |
| Pencils, crayons, henna, glitter (must be acceptable for use on human skin) | Non-critical | Low-level Disinfectant or Single-Use |
| Stencils, applicators and brushes | Non-critical | Low-level Disinfectant |
| Wax applicators and waxing cloths used for hair removal | Non-critical | Intermediate Level Disinfectant or Single-use Only |
| General surfaces (chairs, tables, etc.) | Non-critical* | Low-level disinfectant |

Preparing for an Event

Depending on the nature of the service being provided, the following are items to consider and review:

- The local public health inspector has been contacted for approval**
- Ample numbers of single-use disposable supplies are stocked for the duration of the event
- Re-usable items that come in contact with clients intact skin require cleaning and disinfection in between each use and require protection from contamination at all times
- Accidental contact with non-intact skin or mucous membranes require extra precautions (see SK BMP)
- Provisions should be made for adequate hand washing facilities when possible, with hot and cold water under pressure. A temporary hand wash station consisting of the following may be approved.
 - a minimum 20 liter container/picnic jug of warm potable water with a spigot
 - a waste receptacle to receive wastewater
 - liquid dispensable soap and paper towels
 - waste receptacle to dispose of used paper towels
- Hand sanitizer (60-90% alcohol) must be available where the service is provided. It can be used when hands are not visibly soiled.

Other Considerations

- Discuss re-usable paint brushes with public health inspector prior to the event
- Avoid glitter use around eyes and do not use craft glitter anywhere on the body
- Use a single use spatula to portion out to single use dishes for each service. Portion out enough for use on the client and do not return leftover product to the bulk container.
- Black henna cannot contain p-phenylenediamine (PPD)
- Surfaces must be in good repair for easy cleaning and disinfecting

For Further Information please contact your local Public Health Inspector through office found here:

<https://www.saskatchewan.ca/residents/health/public-health/public-health-inspectors>

The Saskatchewan Personal Services Best Management Practices and other Saskatchewan Personal Service Fact Sheets can be found here: <https://www.saskatchewan.ca/residents/environment-public-health-and-safety/environmental->