## Glove Box Placement

**Note**: This information was prepared by the IPC Working Group for Best Practice Recommendation for Glove Selection and Use. If you have any questions or comments contact IPC at <a href="mailto:ipcsurvstdadmin@ahs.ca">ipcsurvstdadmin@ahs.ca</a>.

## **Best practice recommendations**

Adapted from the Canadian Client Safety Institute. Canada's Hand Hygiene Challenge. <u>Human Factors</u> Environmental Tool Client Room Checklist Glove Box Holders.

- 1. Clean, non-sterile examination gloves must be available at point-of-care.
- 2. Glove boxes are located within glove box holders inside the patient room.
- 3. All glove box holders should be:
  - in clear view from the room entrance;
  - mounted on vertical surfaces, e.g., walls, doors and splashboards that are free of clutter;
  - securely fixed, i.e., appropriate screws and anchors have been used or manufacturer's adhesives have been applied as instructed;
  - easily accessible and not blocked by objects, e.g., medical equipment, supply carts and chairs, or blocking objects, e.g., electrical outlets;
  - within comfortable reach e.g., 121-152 cm (40-60 inches) from the floor.
- 4. Allow for placement of three glove boxes in a standardized order by size (small, medium, large):

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- Horizontal glove holders are organized left to right;
- Vertical glove holders are organized bottom to top.

