Discontinuation of Elasto-Gel Frozen Gloves for Peripheral Cryotherapy

The SCCA Infection Prevention team recently reviewed cleaning and disinfecting procedures for the Elasto-Gel Frozen Gloves and recommended that SCCA discontinue providing this shared supply. According to the Elasto-Gel instruction for use, they cannot become wet on the inside, making it impossible to disinfect them between patients. Therefore, Elasto-Gel gloves cannot be appropriately cleaned and disinfected as required by our Cleaning, Disinfection, and Sterilization of Patient Care Equipment Policy.

Beginning April 1st, SCCA will discontinue supplying Elasto-Gel Frozen Gloves for patient shared use, and transition to alternative single patient use methods in alignment with other national cancer center and infection prevention recommendations. Relevant policies and patient education materials will be updated to reflect this change.

**Infusion will continue to provide ice chip cooling options:**

Patients may bring their own coolers to store their frozen gloves and booties.

**Examples of patient provided options available at local and online retailers without prescription:**