

**To: Newport e360 and e500 Ventilator Users**

**SUBJECT: Don't Use the Suction Disconnect Feature During Inline "Closed" Suctioning**

**Be sure to follow the AARC Clinical Practice Guidelines for Patient Suctioning:**  
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Newport Medical's Suction Disconnect feature, which temporarily suspends ventilation during circuit disconnect, is designed to protect the caregiver by preventing gas expulsion and fluid spray from breathing circuits when the circuit is disconnected for suctioning or other like-procedures.

**Suction Disconnect feature should not be used during inline "closed" suctioning.**

When using "closed" suctioning systems, it is clinically preferable to allow the ventilator to continue ventilating and in fact, to auto-trigger as a result of the applied suction pressure. This can decrease the loss of lung volume and avoid gas-exchange impairment while suctioning.

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