

## STERILE INSTRUMENT INSPECTION TIP SHEET

All sterile instruments and their packaging must be inspected before use.

Clinic staff should inspect during restocking, room preparation, or any other handling times.

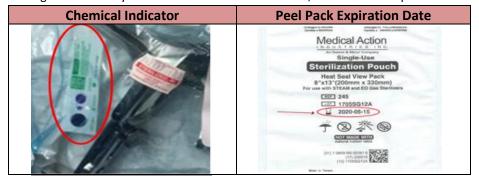
Providers should inspect sterile instruments at point of use.

NOTE: Compromised CLEAN instruments should be red tagged for repair and sent to Mobile Instruments - (925) 595-7660 or <a href="mailto:steve.simpson@camobileinstrument.com">steve.simpson@camobileinstrument.com</a>.

Compromised SOILED instruments should be red tagged for repair and sent to SPD for cleaning first. Do not use any instruments with compromised packaging. Send it back to SPD for reprocessing.

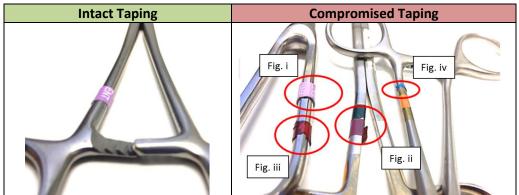
## 1) PACKAGE INTEGRITY

- a. Packages should be intact, never crushed, punctured, wet, or damaged in any other way.
- b. Package should always have a chemical indicator inside, and never be expired.



## 2) TAPING

- a. Identification tape should be avoided wherever possible
- b. Taping should only be done by trained SPD personnel, never clinic staff
- c. When used, tape must be intact with **NO** evidence of:
  - i. Excessive wrapping ii. Peeling/Unravelling iii. Chipping/Flaking iv. Discoloration/Fading



## 3) INSTRUMENT INTEGRITY

a. Visually inspect instrument for: i. Spotting ii. Staining/Discoloration iii. Rusting iv. Pitting

