Standard Operating Procedure - Stethoscope

The following procedure is to be referred to by all staff members who carry out the procedure of cleaning a Stethoscope. Stethoscopes should be cleaned after each use or on a weekly basis.

The following items are required to undertake this activity:
- Disposable gloves;
- White disposable apron;
- Disposable blue cloth;
- Paper hand towels / blue roll;
- General purpose detergent and hot water;
- Paper towels.

Wipe stethoscope tubing over first with damp blue cloth  
Wipe next  
Clean ear pieces last and dry whole stethoscope using paper hand towels