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The Medical Board is considering an update of the policy around this area. It includes the suggested wording below.

“When conducting a physical examination, good medical practice involves:

- ***Using gloves when examining genitals or conducting internal examinations”***

In my opinion, this sentence clearly refers to adult intimate examinations. However, using gloves would be superfluous in the brief examination of the external genitalia of a newborn baby as part of a well baby check; examination of undescended testes in a 5 yr old boy; or parting the labia majora to inspect the vestibular mucosa in a young female child.

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