



Clinic

Pandemic Cleaning and Disinfecting Procedures

Routine Cleaning and Disinfecting

- Training will be provided on these procedures.
 - Wear disposable gloves and a disposable or washable face mask covering your nose and mouth when cleaning and disinfecting. Properly dispose of gloves, store your mask in a paper bag and then immediately wash hands thoroughly with soap and water or hand sanitizer.
 - Frequently touched common area surfaces are to be continuously cleaned and disinfected throughout operating hours.
 - Frequent touch surfaces include waiting room furniture, door handles, light switches, countertops, tables desks, phones, keyboards, toilets, faucets and sinks.
 - Surfaces and objects used consecutively by different individuals in common areas, such as point of sale keypads, are to be cleaned and disinfected before each use.
 - Clinical equipment in the exams rooms will be cleaned and disinfected by the provider directly after the patient/client visit. All other surfaces in exam rooms will be cleaned and disinfected by the provider/staff directly after the patient/client visit.
 - Any imaging equipment used will be cleaned and disinfected by the provider directly after any patient/client use.
 - Outdoor areas, including surfaces and sidewalks are to be cleaned, but do not need to be disinfected.
 - At the end of the operating day, a thorough cleaning and disinfecting of all areas of the clinic in use that day is to be conducted.
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- First, clean surfaces using soap and water. Cleaning with soap and water reduces the number of germs, dirt and impurities on the surface.
 - Then disinfect to kill remaining germs on surfaces.
 - EPA-registered, bleach-based or at least 70% alcohol based disinfectant may be used, except for electronics for which only alcohol-based disinfectant should be used.
 - Follow the instructions on the label of the disinfectant to ensure safe and effective use. Many products recommend:
 - Keeping surface wet for a period of time, at least one minute.
 - Making sure there is good ventilation.

Cleaning and disinfecting after notice of a COVID-19 infected individual on the premises

- Training will be provided on these procedures.
- Close off areas used by the infected individual.
 - If the affected areas can be closed off, the entire premises do not need to be closed.
 - Wait 24 hours before cleaning and disinfecting the affected area. If 24 hours is not feasible, wait as long as possible.

- Wear disposable mask, gloves and gown to clean and disinfect the affected area. Discard these immediately once complete and then immediately wash hands thoroughly with soap and water or hand sanitizer.
- Once the affected area has been appropriately cleaned and disinfected, it can be reopened.
- If more than 7 days have passed since the infected individual was on the premises, additional cleaning and disinfection is not necessary.