Blackbird Clinical Services

General Disinfection and Cleaning Guidelines

Purpose: To ensure all Blackbird Clinical Services employees use routine cleaning guidelines for respiratory illness and infection control to prevent the transmission of respiratory illness amongst employees and customers.

Policy Statement: All staff will adhere to routine disinfection and cleaning guidelines in accordance to the CDC recommendations and company policies.

Scope: This policy applies to all employees of Blackbird Clinical Services.

Procedures: Managers/Owner will ensure that appropriate disinfecting and cleaning guidelines are reviewed at least annually with staff. Review information on routine cleaning for each service annually. Each employee will adhere to these guidelines. This information will include but may not be limited to guidelines for disinfecting and cleaning:

- Hard Surfaces
  - Clean and disinfect hard surfaces and objects after each patient
  - Wash stained surfaces with a general household cleaner to removed dirt, germs and grease. Rinse with water, then use an EPA-registered disinfectant. Follow the manufacturer's recommended concentration, use and contact time
- Carpets
  - Vacuum to keep dust from spreading and going into the air
  - Spot-clean spills of bodily fluid promptly following PPE and BBP policies and procedures
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  - Deep clean carpets monthly
- Medical equipment
  - Clean and disinfect all medical equipment after each patient including but not limited to thermometers, stethoscopes, BP cuff, otoscope and pulse oximeter
  - Use an EPA-registered disinfectant following the manufacturer's recommended concentrations, use and contact time
  - Immediately throw away all disposable cleaning items

- Trash Disposal
  - Wear gloves when handling trash or waste
  - Ensure that trash is thrown into sturdy, leak-proof bags that are tied shut, placed directly into trash bins and disposed of regularly
  - Handle medical waste (such as needles) according to policies and procedures
  - After cleaning and throwing away waste, remove gloves and wash hands