

Hepatitis A

INFECTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL

Surface Cleaning Tips

Food Surfaces

Disinfect, then rinse with water and air dry. Keep chemicals away from food.

Medical Equipment

Keep equipment in infected room and thoroughly disinfect upon removal.

Linens

Separate infected items and pre-wash with detergent at the highest temperature.

Toys

Disinfect, rinse thoroughly, or run through the washer/dishwasher at the highest temperature.



Surfaces should be cleaned and sanitized often



Remember

- Wear gloves and protect clothing
- Use chemicals in well-ventilated areas
- Avoid contact between incompatible chemicals
- If bleach is not an option, use another product effective against hepatitis A

Steps to Cleaning Up Vomit or Feces

- 1 Block off area quickly
- 2 Put on two sets of gloves, mask, gown, and eye protection
- 3 Use absorbent material to clean debris with minimal agitation
- 4 Discard soiled items into a durable plastic bag
- 5 Disinfect surrounding items
- 6 Discard external gloves, gown, and mask in that order
- 7 Wearing inner gloves, transport all debris to secure trash
- 8 Wash hands with soap and warm water

Disinfection for Exposed Surfaces

Chlorine Bleach

Mix 1 2/3 cups of bleach and 1 gallon of water

Mix and use promptly, allowing 1 minute of contact time, then rinsing with water

Use for stainless steel, tile floors, counter, sinks, toilets, and food/mouth contact items

Other Disinfectants

Review product labels to ensure ingredients are effective against hepatitis A

Product names can also be searched at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's website at <http://bit.ly/2qnUYiO>