SUBJECT: Commodes and Urinals  

PROCEDURE NO: 016

PURPOSE: To maintain a clean and attractive environment that reduces the likelihood of cross-infection and enhances the image of the facility.

PRODUCTS AND EQUIPMENT NEEDED

- Germicidal solution
- Cleaning cloths
- Bowl mop

PROCEDURE

1. Flush the commode or urinal.
2. Apply germicidal solution to the interior surfaces of the fixture.
3. Clean the inside of the fixture with the bowl mop paying particular attention to the underside of the flush rim (this prevents the accumulation of bacteria that can spread disease and create unpleasant odors).
4. Wipe down all exterior surfaces of the fixture with a clean cloth that has been dampened with the germicidal solution.
5. Damp wipe all chrome (flush handles, etc.) and dry with a clean, dry cloth to prevent spotting.
6. Dry the exterior, seat and lid.
7. Wipe up any spills.

KEY POINTS

- The surface being cleaned/disinfected must remain wet with the product for the minimum contact time as identified in the manufacturer’s instructions.
- Be careful not to splash any chemicals into your eyes, nose, mouth, or onto your skin. Always wear gloves, and also masks and goggles, if necessary for protection, especially if there is a danger that chemical could splash into your face and eyes.
- Always practice standard precautions when cleaning any blood or body fluid spills, or soil that could contain these or other potentially infectious materials.

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