Purell Foodservice Surface Sanitizer & Disinfectant Use

PROCEDURE:
Please refer to the Agency Safety Policy

HEAD START PROGRAM PERFORMANCE STANDARD:
§ 1304.22 Child health and safety

OREGON CHILD CARE DIVISION:
414-300-0180 Sanitation

OREGON HEALTH AUTHORITY
Criteria for Disinfectants and Sanitizers
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Definitions:

Disinfectant: usually a chemical that destroys disease-causing pathogens or other harmful microorganisms. Disinfectants are generally stronger or more toxic than sanitizers and are used where there are more infectious organisms to control like in bathroom and toilet areas or on blood-borne pathogens and body fluid cleanups.

Sanitizer: agent that reduces the number of bacterial contaminants to safe levels as judged by public health requirements. In child care settings, sanitizing will kill enough germs to reduce the risk of becoming ill from contact with the surface. Sanitizers are used in all classroom and general settings.

Cleaning: The process that physically removes debris from the surface or area by scrubbing, washing and rinsing. It is generally accomplished with soap or detergent and water.

Purpose/Scope
This procedure presents instructions for the use of Purell Foodservice Surface Sanitizer-Disinfectant. SOHS uses Purell Foodservice Sanitizer-Disinfectant to sanitize and disinfect all surfaces in the center classrooms/bathrooms/diaper changing surfaces.
Background

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), a US government agency, tests if a product kills germs and checks if it poses unreasonable health hazards. Only products with EPA registration numbers on the label can make public health claims. If a product is not registered as a sanitizer or disinfectant with the EPA, it can only be relied on for cleaning and not for killing germs. Purell Foodservice Surface Sanitizer is an EPA registered pesticide. It is a violation of federal law to use this product in a manner inconsistent with its labeling. It is relatively safe and non-toxic and meets important criteria for use in child care settings. It is not an asthma promoter nor does it include added fragrances that often contain toxic chemicals. It is relatively safe and non-toxic. Use of this product meets the Oregon Health Authority requirements for sanitizers used on meal service surfaces.

Directions

All staff must read the Safety Data Sheet and the EPA label for Purell Foodservice Surface Sanitizer-Disinfectant before using it for the first time. If there are any questions or uncertainties regarding its use please contact your Supervisor or the SOHS Safety Compliance Manager.

Use:

1.1 These use directions do not replace the use directions on the label. They are only repeated here to help users understand them.

1.2 Purell Foodservice Surface Sanitizer-Disinfectant is a ready to use sanitizer that does not require dilution. It is applied directly from the spray bottle. Use a coarse spray to minimize mist in the air. Move the nozzle on the sprayer to obtain a spray with minimal mist, or spray generously directly onto a paper towel.

1.3 Use Purell Foodservice Surface Sanitizer-Disinfectant in all classroom, administrative and outside/playground areas and in buses whenever a surface needs to be sanitized or disinfected.

1.4 Purell Foodservice Surface Sanitizer-Disinfectant shall also be used in diapering and toilet training areas within classrooms providing infant and toddler care. A sanitizing solution shall be kept in each diaper changing area ready for use. This solution need not be stored in a locked cabinet but must be out of children’s reach (Oregon Child Care Division rule).

1.5 Heavily soiled areas must be pre-cleaned first with a soap and water solution (Dawn Dish Detergent and water in a spray bottle).

1.6 On hard surfaces, using a coarse spray setting spray slowly and deliberately to wet the entire surface or spray directly onto a paper towel making sure to wipe the entire surface. The area must remain wet for at least 1 minute.

1.7 After one minute, wipe surfaces dry or allow to air dry.
1.8 On soft surfaces, spray until fabric is wet but not saturated. Let stand for 30 seconds and blot with a cloth then allow to air dry.

Storage and Disposal:

1.9 Store Purell Foodservice Surface Sanitizer-Disinfectant in a cabinet or room secured with a lock or child-proof latch (as noted above locked storage is not required in diaper changing area). Disposal is usually not necessary – use all of the product in each container. Empty product containers are non-refillable and may be placed in trash bags and put in the trash.