

Use of Disinfectants in Day Care Home

How do you determine which product can be used to clean up changing mats, etc? There are many products on the market and there is confusion on what will work. The Wright County Public Health Department provided the following information to help determine the right solution to use.

“Day care providers can apply for a variance if the product label states it is effective against: "Pseudomonas aeruginosa, Staphylococcus aureus, and Salmonella cholerae suis." If it also states it is also a "tuberculocidal," this is the best disinfectant to use. However, what ever they use, it must be effective against the first 3 "bugs" listed above. Most labels will contain this information. We know that bleach is effective against all 4 agents and therefore it is recommended. It is also the cheapest and easiest to find (name brand does not make a difference).”

The following alternate disinfectants have been approved with a variance:

Lysol Wipes

Lysol Disinfecting Spray

Comet Disinfecting Spray

Clorox Disinfecting Spray-Fresh Scent

Sol-U-Guard

OdoBan

Betco AF315

Quat Stat

Basic G by Shakley

Enviro Care

Quick & Clean

Pursue Broad Spectrum Disinfectant deodorizer spray

Seventh Generation Disinfecting Multi-Surface Cleaner

Seventh Generation Disinfecting Bathroom Cleaner