



CARING FOR YOUR WORKPLACE: UNDERSTANDING THE TYPES OF CLEANING

MAKING THE BEST CHOICE FOR YOUR WORKPLACE

Maintaining a clean workplace is essential for the health and wellbeing of everyone in your facility. Understanding how to keep your workplace clean or what type of services you require can be complicated. We offer a range of cleaning services, from basic janitorial to advanced sterilization techniques. When choosing the service option that is best for your workplace, it is important to know that cleaning, sanitizing, disinfecting, and sterilizing are different services aimed at different results. But whichever service or services you require, we are prepared to develop a customized plan for your facility to help you keep your workplace healthy.

CLEANING REMOVES VISIBLE DIRT AND DEBRIS

Cleaning is a process used to eliminate visible dirt and debris present on a surface. This method is not designed to reduce the presence of unseen microbes living on a surface. The cleaning process incorporates mild environmentally-friendly products to wipe down surfaces and floors. Our cleaning services are tailored to each client's unique requirements.

SANITIZING REDUCES THE PRESENCE AND GROWTH OF MICROBES

Sanitizing - also called decontamination - reduces the presence of germs on surfaces to what have been deemed "safe levels" by published health standards. While cleaning removes visible dirt and soil, sanitizing makes a surface or object safer for contact by reducing germs and bacteria. This is achieved through the use of a registered disinfectant in combination with traditional agitation and wipe down cleaning techniques on surfaces.

DISINFECTING ELIMINATES THE PRESENCE OF MICROBES

The disinfecting process uses more rigorous procedures and longer dwell times of a registered disinfectant to kill nearly 100% of microscopic organisms living on an objects surface. The disinfecting process does not remove dirt or residue from surfaces and is most effective when used alongside a cleaning program. Our disinfecting program includes multiple service levels, from touchpoint disinfection to disinfecting entire facilities to ATP-validated clearance standards.

STERILIZING DESTROYS HARMFUL MICROBES AND SPORES

Sterilizing destroys all forms of harmful microbes, including bacterial spores. Sterilizing will completely destroy pathogens and bacterial spores by using highly effective chemical sterilizers and/or high temperatures. The sterilizing process does not remove dirt or residue from surfaces and is most effective when used alongside a cleaning program. Sterilization is mostly used in medical facilities to ensure resistant bacterial endospores have been eradicated.

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