HOME CLEANING FOR COVID-19

Preventing Virus Spread within Your Home

Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces daily. This includes tables, doorknobs, light switches, countertops, handles, desks, phones, keyboards, toilets, faucets, and sinks.

Follow any product instructions like wearing gloves or airing out the space.

Use a disinfectant that destroys the coronavirus. An example includes diluted bleach.

Don’t mix chemicals that can be dangerous.

If you don’t have disinfectant, then use hot, soapy water and scrub. This will also destroy the virus.

Disinfect surfaces with a 70% or more alcohol solution.

For list of disinfectants that destroy coronavirus: EPA.GOV

To make a bleach solution, mix:

- 5 Tablespoons Bleach (1/3 cup)
- One gallon of water

Or

- 4 Teaspoons bleach
- One quart of water

Stay stocked with supplies like tissues, garbage bags, paper towels, and disinfectants.

Wash laundry thoroughly. Wear disposable gloves when handling dirty laundry from a sick person. After you remove the gloves, throw them away and wash your hands with soap and water. Follow directions on laundry and detergent labels. Use the warmest recommended setting and dry thoroughly.

Keep a separate bathroom for sick housemates with COVID-19 symptoms when possible.

If a bathroom is shared by people who are both sick and well, then the bathroom should be disinfected after each use by the sick person. Disinfect the toilet, the sink, and all handles, knobs, and surfaces.

More information at: philagov/COVID