# **CLEANING WORK AREAS**

## **Purpose**

To provide guidelines in cleaning work areas.

## **Policy**

Disinfect all laboratory countertops as needed or at least once each day of use with a hospital approved disinfectant/germicide/cleaner.

In the event of spillage of blood, body fluids or excretia, flood the area with a hospital approved disinfectant/germicide/cleaner for 5 minutes. Wipe dry with a paper towel.

## **Procedure**

The table below shows the procedure in cleaning counter tops with the approved hospital disinfectant/germicide/cleaner.

Step	Action	
1	Apply the product thoroughly using the mechanical spray.	
2	Thoroughly wet the surface. Do not dilute.	
3	Allow cleaner to remain on surface for 5 minutes.	
4	Dry with clean paper towels.	
5	Document in "Daily Counter Top Cleaning" form LAMC-FORM 0023	

## **Disposal**

Empty the disinfectant/germicidal/cleaner container with any residual liquid and discard in the appropriate waste receptacle.

If you have	Then, dispose in	Receptacle Graphic
<ul> <li>USED wipes</li> <li>Empty         disinfectant/germic         idal/cleaner         container,         DRIPPED DRY</li> </ul>	Regular Trash Containers	Regular Waste

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