

# Session D01 The More You Know: Reduce Failures by Understanding Performance Requirements for Healthcare Durable Coated Fabrics and Surface Materials

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Application Deadline: May 1, 2022

Exam Window: September 1 – 30, 2022

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Dan Lee, Lew Vassberg, Louise Nicholson-Carter, and Margaret Simmons meet to discuss starting a Healthcare Interior Designer professional accreditation organization.



March 4, 2004

AAHID moves their office from Dallas to Washington DC. New Logo.



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2008

AAHID appellation changed to CHID Certified Healthcare Interior Designer. Logo created



2015

New Website and Logos  
Connections series of virtual meetings between Board, CHID, Industry Partners and Founders to promote knowledge sharing & collaboration.

2021

July 1, 2005

The first 50 professional interior designers who were part of the original establishment of the AAHID examination are referred to as Founding Members.

2014

AAHID partners with AMC moving offices from DC to Chicago. New Logo.



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2019

AAHID celebrates 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary with all new exam, online proctored exam delivery, and streamlined application process. Record number of 84 new CHID passed.



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## AAHID Historic Timeline

# Question/Response 1

Our first session on this subject was HCD 2017 in Orlando Florida. How many of you have attended one or more of our AAHID DCF Education sessions?

Yes

No

# Question/Response 2

Which term best describes your role in healthcare design?

- Architect
- Clinical
- Interior Designer
- Manufacturer Representative
- Owners Representative
- Trade Association
- Other?

*...first you scare us, then you offer us hope...*

“what you guys are sharing is really important, and complex,  
with critical safety implications ...  
*(the scary part)*

... but there is an approach, and a path forward  
– we can do it if we de-silo, team up, move forward ...”  
*(the hope part)*

Jen Wilcox  
Director of Education  
The Center for Health Design



## *Jargon Alert!*

Upholstery materials are all referred to as "fabrics"  
...they can be **durable coated fabrics** or **woven textile fabrics**

*Fabric memo samples come with a label that provides basic information about material composition and testing,*

Designers call this a "Memo Tag"

Manufacturers call this a "Sample Ticket"

These terms are used interchangeably

*Are you experiencing this?*



*Cracking & Puddling?*



*Soiling & Staining?*

*UV Sunlight fading?*



*Delamination?*



## February 2017 -Design Connections - Ponte Vedra, Florida

Several  
AAHID  
CHID  
healthcare  
designers,



...manufacturers, associations, and industry partners, shared their frustration with ongoing & persistent coated fabric failures, comparing experiences we found we were all experiencing the same problems. After the conference, we continued the discussion, to find a solution, we formed the Durable Coated Fabrics task group.

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Manufacturer-  
Distributors

Healthcare  
Interior  
Designers &  
Architects

Furniture  
Manufacturers-  
Distributors

Trade  
Associations

Cleaning Experts &  
Environmental  
Services

**DCF**  
**TASK GROUP**

Since 2017 the DCF has met regularly to discuss issues of performance & durability, polled the industry for information on current practices, supported durability field testing, advancing education and collaborative collegial dialogue in the healthcare design industry.

## In 2019 DCF officially becomes affiliated with AAHID

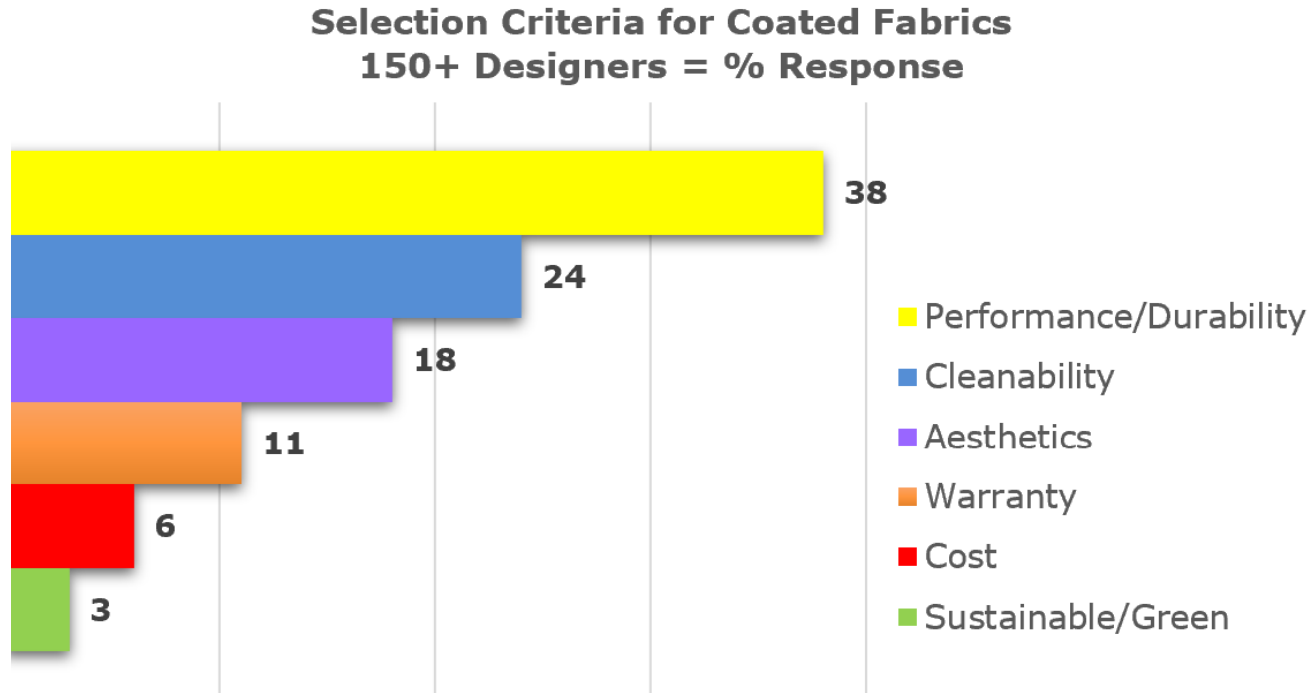
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In 2018, We surveyed 150+ Healthcare Designers, asking ...

*When evaluating durable coated fabrics for upholstery in your healthcare environments, what are your primary selection criteria?*



## Question/Response 3

How would you respond today?

Which of the following selection criteria is your top concern?

- Aesthetics*
- Cleanability*
- Cost*
- Performance/Durability*
- Sustainable/Green*
- Warranty*

## Question/Response 4

Is cost a limiting factor when you are specifying **durable coated fabrics**, & if so, what is your budget price point?

- Cost is not a limiting factor
- >Greater than \$70 SY Net
- <Less than \$70 SY Net



## Question/Response 5

In the last six months, have you had to remove torn, broken, ripped, delaminated, or perpetually soiled furniture items from service?

Yes

No

# Question/Response 6

For the furniture items that had to be removed, who paid for those items to be repaired, reupholstered, or replaced?

*Check any or all that apply...*

- Consultant design firm
- Fabric manufacturer or distributor
- Furniture dealer
- Furniture manufacturer
- Owner
- Don't know



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*Learning Objectives: (Note change in presentation order )*

1. Explore challenges and opportunities in implementing the *Durable Coated Fabric Programming and Selection Guide for Healthcare* and the CFFA-Healthcare-201 Certification.
3. Demonstrate knowledge of healthcare surface materials and challenges of cleaning and disinfecting processes and procedures.
2. Engage in a continuum of discovery to reveal new challenges and real-world issues related to surface material failures throughout the healthcare built environment, and the impact of environmental contaminants, cleaning chemicals, and methods.
4. Evaluate multiple attributes when specifying products, materials, and surfaces to improve successful outcomes.

# Facilitated Role Play

**Discuss the Scenario: The Joint Commission is coming!**

How do the owner, interior designer, joint commission surveyor, manufacturer sales rep, upholstery fabric provider, EVS representative, & trade association member prepare for the JC

In addition to our panel, our Role Play includes;



Chuck Beavan,  
Wieland Furniture Mfr Rep.



Steve Rye,  
CFFA Technical Services Manager

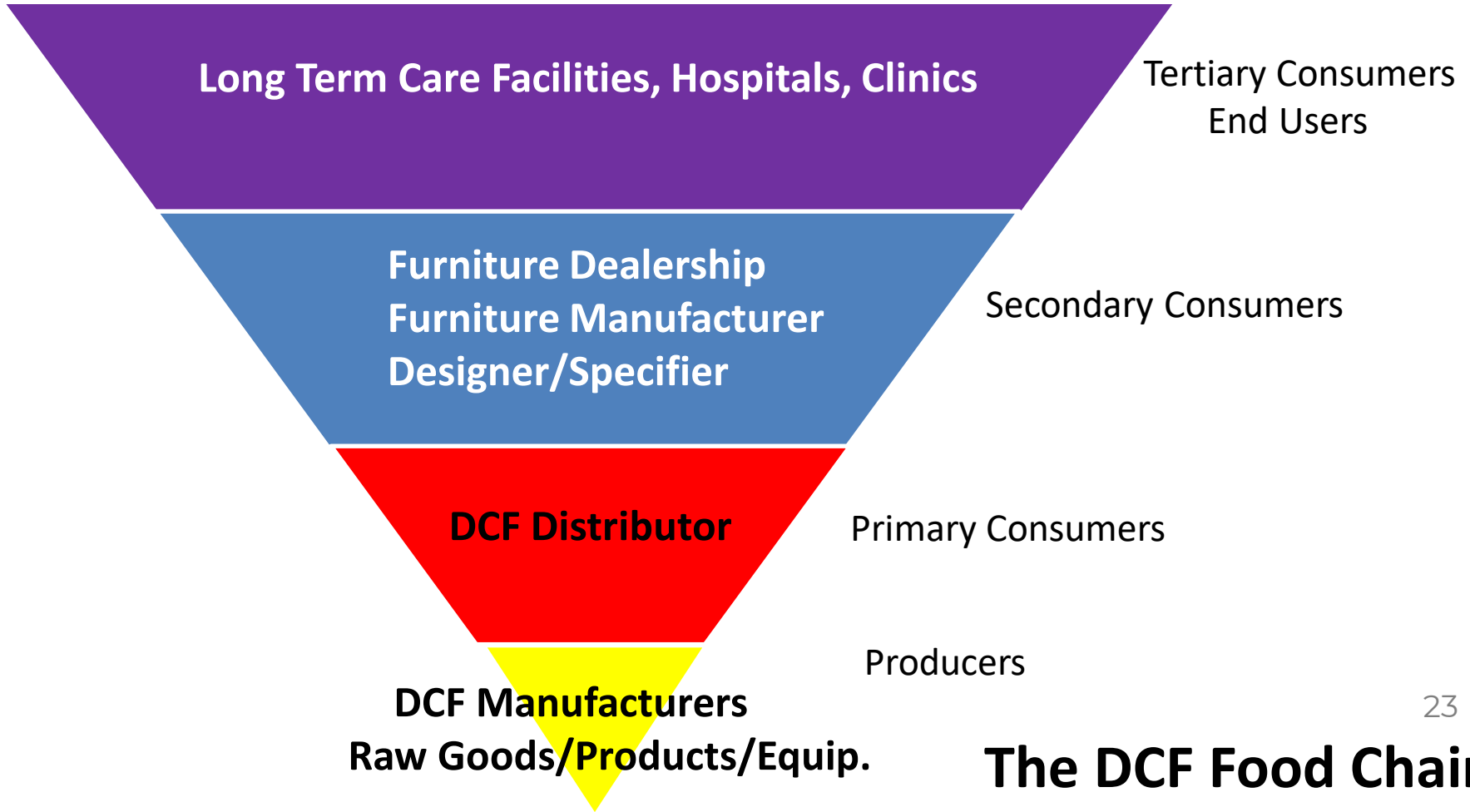
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# The DCF Food Chain

# *Education*

## **Summary of 2018-2019 Shady Grove Medical Center Evergreen Lounge Study**

### **Initial Goals:**

Assess performance of various coated fabrics

Test for cleanliness & bioburden

Selection of **18 durable coated fabrics:**

Recommended as Heavy-duty, 24/7, Healthcare

Aesthetics/color – avoid “patchwork quilt look”

Ability to withstand SGMC’s cleaning





# *Education*

## **Summary of 2018-2019 Shady Grove Medical Center Evergreen Lounge Study**

### **Results:**

#### Goal 1. Durability:

- 15 of 18 Excellent
- 3 of 18 Good (some stretching on humid days)

#### Goal 2. Cleanliness:

- Testing halted due to challenges with the testing device
- EVS inability to comply with daily, consistent cleaning as recommended by fabric manufacturers.



**After 2 years, all still look great.**

Issues and unanswered questions everywhere we looked:

Memo tag/Sample ticket

Website inconsistencies

Sales reps

## *Education: Discovery of inconsistencies*

### Memo Tag/Sample Ticket

- Provides only basic product information – very limited by space; inconsistent wording
- Inconsistent definitions (if any) of “Heavy duty, 24/7 healthcare use”
- Various tests are done; sometimes for similar test; ASTM, CFFA, AATCC
- Quantity of tests varies between 0 – 7 (most list 0 - 2) per Memo tag
- Most reference “Wyzenbeek” but they do not use official CFFA or ASTM test names
- Sustainable attributes listed and supersede durability and performance which aren’t all listed
- Test names are inconsistent and confusing;
  - CFFA-16 is Tear Strength, but AATCC 16H is Colorfastness
  - ASTM D-751-06: is it “Break Strength” or “Seam Slippage”?

### Manufacturer Website Information

- Testing info is limited and inconsistent between manufacturers
- One had tested for 12+ staining agents, with results – another did not list any staining results
- Many provide results of cleaning product tests on the website; but some do not

### Manufacturer/Distributor sales rep may provide additional information

- Several more test results were provided when the summary chart was sent
  - Between 8–12 tests listed (but most not on website)
- Some sent test results not listed on Memo tag **or** on Website when requested

There was no standard list of which tests are most important to healthcare designers

Memo sample ticket and Website info comparison: V.3 - 9.28.20				
Test names, if noted, are highlighted				
Coated Fabric A (Sample ticket)	Coated Fabric B (Sample ticket)	Coated Fabric C (Sample ticket)	Coated Fabric D (Sample ticket)	Coated Fabric E (Sample ticket)
Name and # of pattern Color Content Finish Backing Cleaning Weight Width Repeat Abrasion (dbl rubs noted)	Name Color and # Contents Finish Fluid Barrier Width Abrasion Resistance Hydrolysis Resistance Flammability (3 tests noted)	Collection Name Content Width Abrasion (Wyzenbeek) Cleaning Code Key Features : Bleach cleanable Resists blue jean dye	Name Style Color Width Material	Name Number Color Content Backing Width Application Features Environmental info 3 flame ratings Wyzenbeek Lightfastness AATCC 16 Cal 133 BIFMA Wyzenbeek noted; but not by test #
<b>TEST NAME/# NOT GIVEN</b> (other than Wyzenbeek)	<b>TEST NAMES/# NOT GIVEN</b> (other than Wyzenbeek noted)	<b>TEST NAME/# NOT GIVEN</b> (other than Wyzenbeek)	<b>NO TESTS NOTED</b>	<b>2 TESTS NOTED</b>
<b>VS. Website info</b> Additional website info - two more tests are noted but not by formal test name or # Price Finish (topcoat) Backing Warranty Environmental Flammability "meets all"	<b>VS. Website Info</b> Additional website info - Abrasion Resist. ASTM D-4157 Break Strength ASTM -D-751-06 Tear Strength ASTM D-2261 Seam slippage ASTM D-06 Colorfastness to light AATCC 16 Crocking ATTCC-8 Hydrolytic Sta. ISO 1419 <b>7 Tests noted on Website</b>	<b>VS. Website info</b> Additional website info 4 Flammability test Colorfastness – AATCC 16H Emissions CA Hydrolytic Stability – ISO 1419 <b>2 Tests noted on Website</b>	<b>VS. Website info</b> Add'l website info 5 flame tests ASTM D4157 – Wyzenbeek Crocking AATCC 8 Light AATCC 16.3 <b>3 Tests noted on Website</b>	<b>VS. Website info</b> Info exactly the same as sample ticket <b>2 Tests noted on Website</b>
<b>No test noted on Website</b>	<b>7 Tests noted on Website</b>	<b>2 Tests noted on Website</b>	<b>3 Tests noted on Website</b>	<b>2 Tests noted on Website</b>

Who decides which tests are requested?

What are the common names used in place of some tests?

How much do the tests cost?

How many tests were conducted?

How many tests did the product fail?

How is a Designer supposed to know all of this?

How to cover the time it takes?

# *Education*

## Lessons Learned:

I thought that the field test results were the most important part, but it turns out that test results, and data-gathering, are only the first steps...

It's the path you travel while gathering the data that leads to new discoveries.

## *Education*

Something had to be done –

frustration,



time lost,



money lost,



& still no answers

## *Collaboration*

How does DCF Task Group fit into this?

Collaboration with

- CFFA
- Infection preventionists,
- Designers both in-house and with big and small firms
- Furniture manufacturers
- Fabric manufacturers
- BIFMA

## Durable Coated Fabric Programming and Selection Guide for Healthcare

October 2020





# Collaboration

## Durable Coated Fabric Programming & Selection Guide for Healthcare

- Part 1: Programming Questions
- Checklist

### Durable Coated Fabric Programming & Selection Guide for Healthcare

#### INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this guide is to provide interior designers and specifiers with a tool that will assist in the selection of appropriate durable coated fabrics, for upholstered seating in healthcare environments.

The **Durable Coated Fabric Programming & Selection Guide for Healthcare** consists of the following documents:

**Part 1 Programming Questions** to facilitate communication and between **Designers/Specifiers** and the following stakeholders:

**I. End-User or Client - Questions** (care providers, infection control services, industrial hygienist, quality assurance)

**II. Durable Coated Fabric Manufacturer/Distributor**

**III. Upholstered Furniture Manufacturer/Dealer - Questions**

The Durable Coated Fabric programming questions and the answers from **each** of the above stakeholders include:

- A. Performance / Durability and Budget
- B. Cleaning and Disinfecting
- C. Sustainable Attributes
- D. Upholstered Furniture Design

#### Part 2 Chemical Fabrics and Film Association: CFFA-Healthcare

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The Durable Coated Fabrics (DCF) Task Group is recommending that specifiers request DCF distributors and manufacturers to utilize CFF products. This provides a basis for informed decision making.

**Attachment A: Fabric Review Checklist:** Excel document for tracking/quantifying answers.

Durable Coated Fabric Programming & Selection Guide for Healthcare - Fabric Review Checklist			
Proposed Coated Fabric Item	Manufacturer/Distributor: Pattern Name & Number: Color Name/Number: Furniture Mfr. & Model:	Composition: Backing: Code: Mfr. Fabric Grade:	Project: Reviewer: Date:
Data Collection: Information sources are; Memo Tag/Sample Ticket, product literature, website, manufacturer and/or distributor representatives.			
Scoring: a positive/preferred value gets a "1", a negative/not preferred/unknown value gets a "0". Using this checklist to evaluate the proposed coated fabric(s) for a project will result in scores which reflect the likelihood of a positive outcome.			
<b>Part 1: Programming Questions</b> (Questions shown edited for simplicity, refer to Guide Part 1 for complete question and context)			
Ref. #	Description	Value	Score Notes
<b>Part 1 Programming: I. End User or Client - Questions</b>			
I.A.1.a	What is the expected product service life?	5+ years = 1 0-4 years = 0	
I.A.1.b	Does the fabric have deeply embossed texture?	Not Deeply Embossed = 1 Deeply Embossed = 0	
I.B.1	Have cleaning & disinfecting chemicals used in your facility been successfully tested on this fabric?	Tested = 1 Not tested = 0	
I.B.1.a.i	Are cleaning & disinfecting chemicals being rinsed w/water?	Rinsed = 1 Not Rinsed = 0	
I.B.3.b	In past projects with similar conditions, has the coated fabric met durability expectations?	Met expectations = 1 Not met = 0	
<b>Part 1 Programming: II. Durable Coated Fabric Distributor/Manufacturer - Questions</b>			
II.A.1	Does proposed coated fabric comply with CFFA-Healthcare-201 Standard?	Comply = 1 Does Not Comply = 0	
II.A.2	Has topical material proven durable in similar applications?	Durable = 1 Not durable = 0	
II.A.3	Has backing material proven durable in similar applications?	Durable = 1 Not durable = 0	
II.A.4	Has proposed fabric been used successfully in similar locations?	Successful = 1 Not successful = 0	
II.B.2	Does the DCF manufacturer/distributor provide a list of approved cleaning/disinfecting chemicals?	List provided = 1 List not provided = 0	
II.B.4	Has fabric been tested for ultraviolet light, hydrogen peroxide, or other additional disinfection processes?	Tested = 1 Not tested = 0	
II.B.5	Does manufacturer recommend rinsing with water after cleaning and disinfecting the DCF?	Rinsing not required = 1 Rinsing required = 0	
<b>Part 1 Programming: III. Upholstered Furniture Manufacturer and Furniture Dealers - Questions</b>			
III.A.1	Has the fabric had any failures related to furniture upholstery techniques; i.e. seams, welts, corners, backing color, or needle holes?	No Failures = 1 Failures = 0	
III.A.3	Has the fabric been approved by the manufacturer for use on the specified furniture?	Approved = 1 Not approved = 0	
III.B.1	Have the coated fabric manufacturers' recommended cleaning/disinfecting protocols damaged other parts of the furniture?	Not damaged = 1 Damaged = 0	
III.D.1	Can undesirable attributes; corners, welts, sharp corners, etc. be eliminated to improve the product?	Undesirable removed = 1 Not removed = 0	
III.D.2	Is furniture item componentized for field replaceable repairs?	Componentized = 1 Not componentized = 0	
Part 1 Subtotal:			0
<b>Part 2: CFFA-Healthcare-201 (Recommended Minimum Performance Standards)</b>			
CFFA	CFFA-Healthcare-201 compliance confirmation	Comply = 10, Does Not Comply = 0	
CFFA Subtotal:			0
<b>TOTAL Parts 1 &amp; 2:</b>			<b>0</b> (Maximum Score = 27 Points)

# Results of Collaboration

## CFFA-Healthcare-201B February 2021

& Certification Seal >>>>>>>>

A durable coated fabric must pass all tests to be Certified!

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**CFFA-HEALTHCARE-201B**  
February 2021

**Recommended Minimum Performance Standards for Vinyl-Coated and Other Chemical-Coated Woundcare Products - HEALTHCARE**

**1. Scope**

1.1 This document sets forth recommended performance standards for vinyl and other chemical coated fabrics produced with wovens, non-wovens, or knit substrates which are used as upholstery materials for fabric furniture in healthcare settings.

1.2 This performance standard is not applicable to vinyl or chemical coated fabric used in outdoor applications.

1.3 The test results for coated fabrics, when tested in accordance with the CFFA Standard Test Methods, must attain the minimum values of all properties listed in TABLE 1 for a given construction in order to conform to this standard.

2. **Applicable Documents\***  
For applicable documents used in this performance standard, refer to CFFA Standard Test Methods Pamphlet, most recent Edition.

3. **Definitions**  
**Abrasion** - Measurement of the ability of the chemical coating to resist surface wear when rubbed against another (abrasive) surface.

**Accelerated Exposure to Disinfectants** - To determine surface changes, including color, gloss, or deterioration due to crusting, peeling, or hardening as a result of exposure to disinfectants.

**Accelerated Light Aging** - A determination of the resistance of chemical coated fabric to exposure to laboratory simulated sunlight.

**Adhesion** - A measure of the force required to separate a chemical coating from the base substrate.

**Blocking** - A determination of the development of surface tack at elevated temperatures.

**Cold Crack** - A measure of the ability of a chemical coating to withstand cracking when folded at low temperature.

**Cracking** - A measure of resistance to transfer of color from a chemical coating to another surface (usually a fabric) by rubbing action.

**Dyein Stain Resistance** - To determine the resistance to transfer of color from certain fabric to a chemical coated fabric by rubbing action.

**Flame and Smoke Resistance** - To determine flammability and smoke generation.

**Flex** - A determination of the change in surface characteristics of a chemical coated fabric when subjected to multiple flex cycles.

**Hydrolytic Stability** - To determine the resistance of wovens coated fabric to hydrolysis when subjected to a combination of an elevated temperature and high humidity for 10 weeks.

**Stain Strength** - Stimulates the resistance to stain tear propagation.

**Stain Resistance** - To determine 24-hour stain resistance using reagents commonly found in healthcare.

**Tear Strength** - A measurement of the force required to construct or propagate a tear in a coated fabric.

**Tensile Strength** - A measurement of the force required to break a coated fabric.

**Yolting** - A measurement of weight loss of a chemical coated fabric when subjected to an elevated temperature.

**TABLE 1**

PROPERTY	TEST METHOD	FABRIC BACKING OR SUBSTRATE		
		KNITS	NON- WOVENS	WOVENS
Abrasion (Dinablen)	CFFA 14	100,000 cycles	100,000 cycles	100,000 cycles
Healthcare/Normal Traffic	CFFA 10	50,000 cycles	50,000 cycles	50,000 cycles
Accelerated Exposure to Disinfectants	CFFA 100	Sign Change	Sign Change	Sign Change
Accelerated Light Aging (Indoor)	CFFA 3	No Change	No Change	No Change
Abrasion (Rubbing)	CFFA 1	10 lbs.	10 lbs.	10 lbs.
Blocking	CFFA 4	None-Slight (Adj. (1))	None-Slight (Adj. (2))	None-Slight (Adj. (3))
Cold Crack	CFFA 104	No Cracking	No Cracking	No Cracking
Cracking Dry & Wet	CFFA 7	Excellent (4)	Excellent (4)	Excellent (4)
Stain Resistance	CFFA 76	Slight (5)	Slight (5)	Slight (5)
Flame and Smoke Resistance (ASTM E 117-2011)	CFFA 9	Pass	Pass	Pass
Flex	CFFA 10	25,000 Cycles No Cracking/ Cracking	25,000 Cycles No Cracking/ Cracking	25,000 Cycles No Cracking/ Cracking
Hydrolytic Stability (PH)	CFFA 110	10 weeks	10 weeks	10 weeks
Tensile Strength	CFFA 14	30 x 25 lbs.	35 x 35 lbs.	25 x 25 lbs.
Stain	CFFA 142	No stain (4*)	No stain (4*)	No stain (4*)
Tear Strength (Strip)	CFFA 100	4 x 4 lbs.	N/A	4 x 4 lbs.
Yolting	CFFA 106	N/A	15 x 15 lbs.	N/A
Yolting	CFFA 117	50% Weight Loss	50% Weight Loss	50% Weight Loss
Yolting	CFFA 110	0% loss	0% loss	0% loss

\*Note 1: Minimum values on page 3

1200 hours using 1000ml/m<sup>2</sup> of Fluorescent or 120 hours using 4000 ml/m<sup>2</sup> of UV-CFFA Standard Test Method 14.  
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# Results of Collaboration CFFA-Healthcare-201

## CFFA 142: Stain resistance in the Healthcare Environment

### Transferable Stain Types

- Synthetic Body fluids:
- Stomach Acid\*
- Human Sweat\*
- Urine\*

\* See CFFA 142 for specific info

### Inks:

- Viscot Mini surgical Fine tip marker
- Ballpoint pen – Bic round Stic-blue

### Transferable Stains:

- Revlon Super Lustrous Lipstick “Love that Red”
- Johnson’s Baby Oil
- Jergens Daily Moisture Dry Skin Moisturizer
- Cutex Polish Remover NonAcetone
- Coppertone Ultraguard Sunscreen
- Octocrylene 4%
- Shea Moisture Jamaican black castor oil leave in conditioner

## *Results of Collaboration: CFFA Healthcare 201*

CFFA-70 – Denim Stain Resistance (also referred to as ‘reverse crocking’)

CFFA- 100 – Accelerated Exposure to Disinfectants

Clorox Healthcare Hydrogen Peroxide Cleaner Disinfectant (Wipes)

VIREX II 256, diluted to specified concentration

Clorox Healthcare Bleach Germicidal Wipes

See CFFA healthcare 201 for other tests and information

Information above cited with permission of the Chemical Fabrics and Film Association

## *Where are we now?*

### Acceptance within the industry of CFFA-Healthcare-201 Certification

- a. Reference CFFA website and link to manufacturer's /distributor's products that have passed CFFA Healthcare 201 – and other links
- b. Issues with specific tests (CFFA 100 – bleach wipes) and (CFFA 142 nail polish remover) keeps some from getting the full certification.
- c. Designers need to encourage the fabric manufacturers and distributors to continue to improve their product.
- d. If a product has passed CFFA 201, designers can ask that it be labeled as such.

***Additional Data gathering**, with the help of AAHID, the DCF task group uses Surveys to gather information to better understand the extent of product failures in healthcare environments, their associated costs, and potential solutions.*

**Cleaning and Disinfection:** to collect data on cleaning/disinfection products & procedures from Environmental Services, Facility Management, and Designers

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/J6W3PDX>.

**Healthcare Durable Coated Fabrics Upholstery:** to collect data from **Designers**

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HKBM67B>

**Healthcare Furniture Manufacturers:** to collect data about performance challenges

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/7NSKHD5>

**Healthcare Furniture Dealers:** to collect data about performance challenges

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/7MGW896>

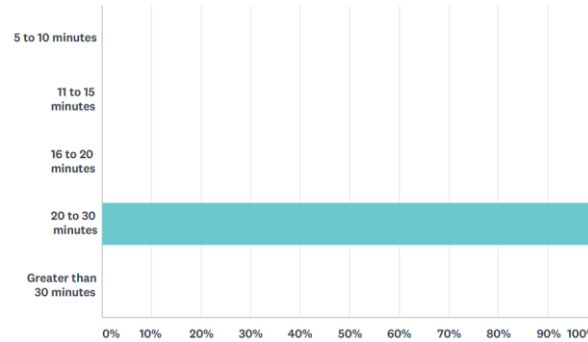
***Key Data Points** already gathered for the above surveys, are shown on the following slides...*

# Results from our AAHID DCF data-gathering surveys to date have been;

## Cleaning and Disinfection: 25 questions, 4 respondents

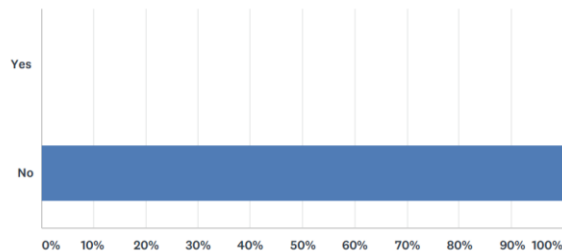
Q7 What is the expected clean time for patient room discharge turnover cleaning?

Answered: 4 Skipped: 0



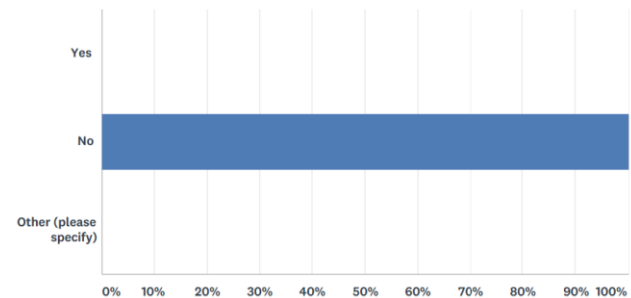
Q12 Is it part of your protocol to rinse the detergents and/or disinfectants from the surface after application?

Answered: 4 Skipped: 0



Q14 Is it a requirement in your EVS contract to rinse the surfaces?

Answered: 1 Skipped: 3



**Results from our AAHID DCF data-gathering surveys to date have been;**  
**Upholstery Cleaning – Designers: 25 questions, 4 respondents**

**Q12** Is it part of your protocol to rinse the detergents and/or disinfectants from the surface after application? **No**

**Q24** Where and when in your facility are you using enhanced disinfection technology?

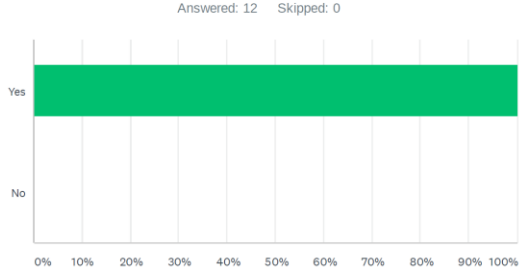
UV technology is used as an adjunct to disinfection of patient rooms upon discharge. It is also used in Surgical Suites and periodically Central Sterile



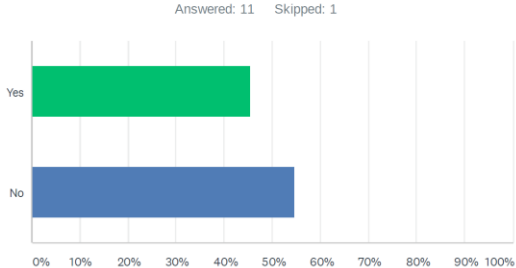
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## Healthcare Furniture Manufacturers: 12 respondents, 12 questions

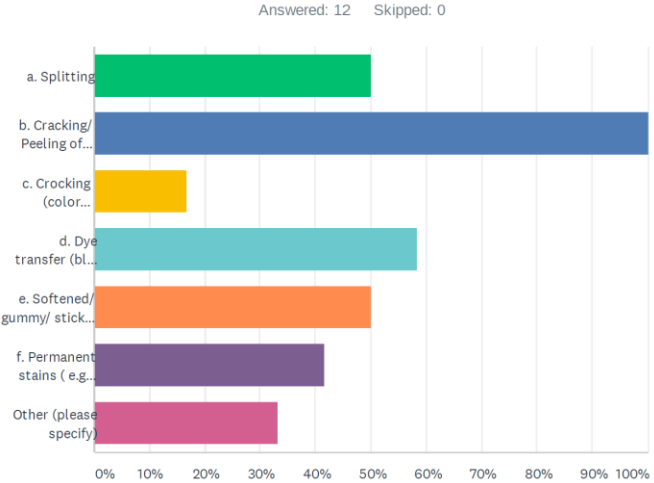
Q1 Our industry has benefited from manufacturers and distributors providing many new and innovative durable coated fabric upholstery materials. We are now experiencing issues related to the use if some of those materials in healthcare environments. Has your company experienced failures with any coated fabric upholstery materials over the last 5- 7 years?



Q11 When a durable coated upholstery material has a topcoat, has a topcoat been a significant factor in the experienced failure?



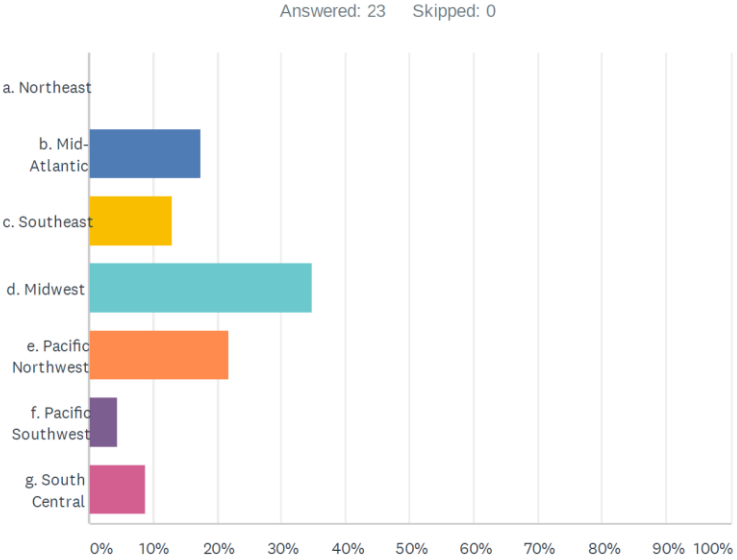
Q2 Please check (all that apply) the types of issues/ problems/ failures that have occurred based upon upholstery fabric specified:



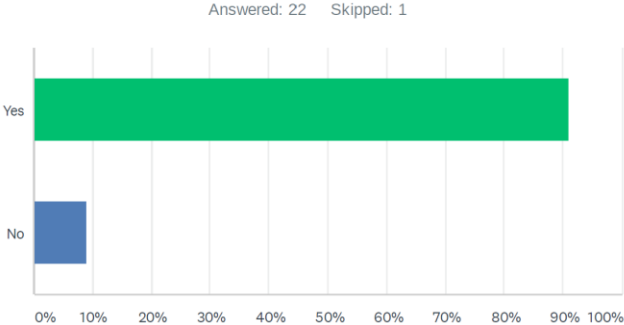
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## Healthcare Furniture Dealers: 23 respondents, 12 questions, PAGE 1 of 3

Q2 What is your geographic location and territory?



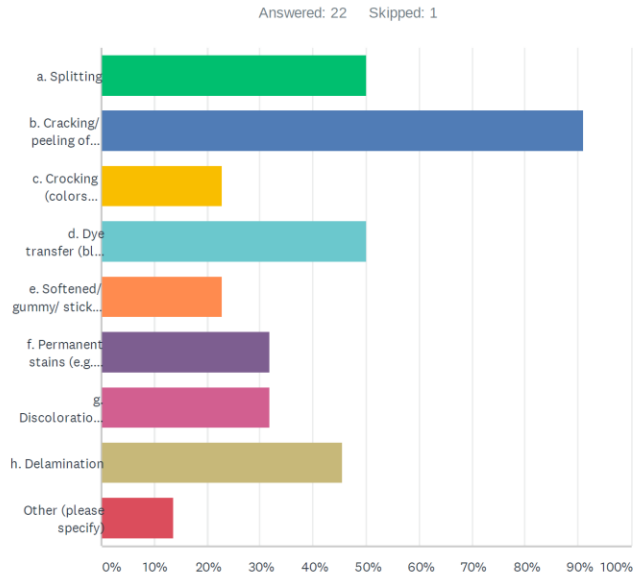
Q3 We are now experiencing issues/problems/failures related to the performance of some of the new and innovative durable coated materials in healthcare environments. Has your dealership experienced/witnessed any performance failures with any coated fabric upholstery materials within the last 5 – 7 years?



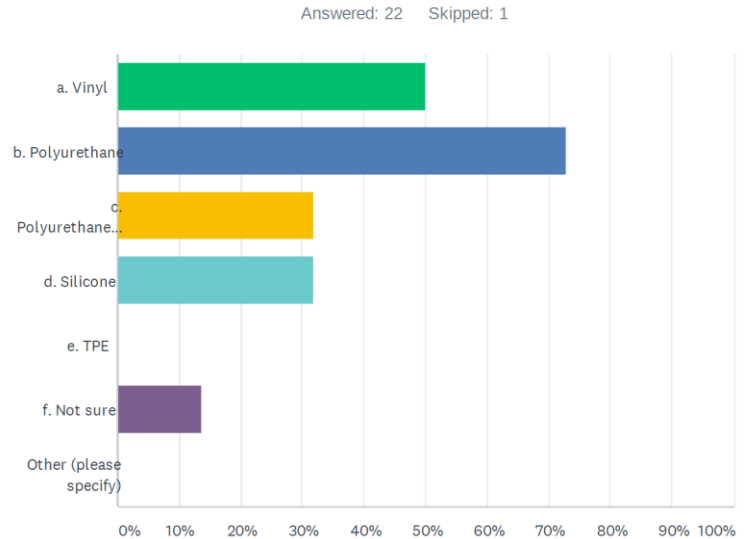
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## Healthcare Furniture Dealers: 23 respondents, 12 questions, PAGE 2 of 3

Q4 What types of issues/problems/failures that have occurred based upon upholstery fabrics specified?(Check all that apply)



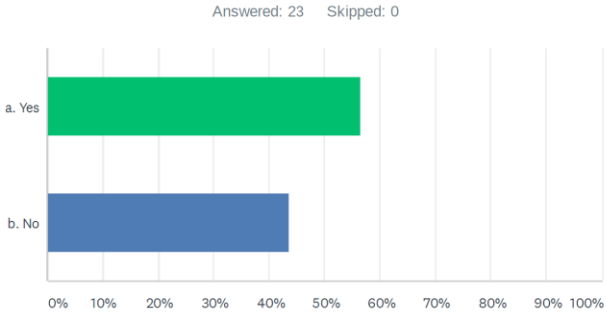
Q5 On which type of coated fabric upholstery materials have you experienced the above issues? (Check all that apply)



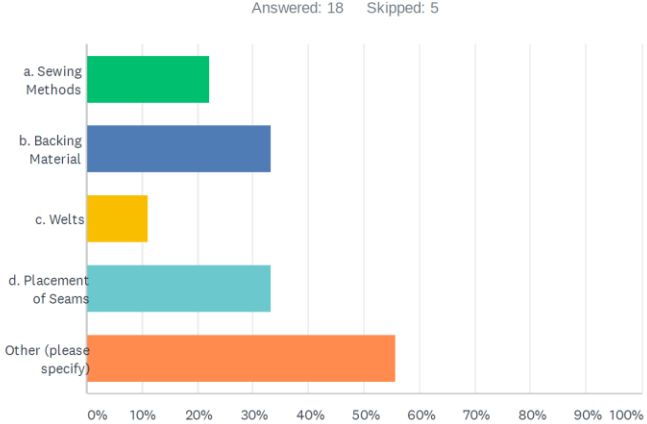
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## Healthcare Furniture Dealers: 23 respondents, 12 questions, PAGE 3 of 3

Q6 Has your dealership contributed to the replacement cost (labor or material) for reupholstering or replacing furniture that has failed?



Q10 Were any specific furniture manufacturing methods identified as contributing to durable coated fabric upholstery material failures?(Check all that apply)





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3. Demonstrate knowledge of healthcare surface materials and challenges of cleaning and disinfecting processes and procedures.

**Clean***Health* **Environmental**  
Risk Management Training Solutions

# Cleaning vs. Sanitizing vs. Disinfecting

## Cleaning

- The physical removal of material (e.g., dust, soil, blood and body fluid); removes rather than kills microorganisms.
- A surface that has not been cleaned effectively cannot be properly sanitized or disinfected.

## Sanitizing

- Carry a general claim of germ control, but generally not organism specific

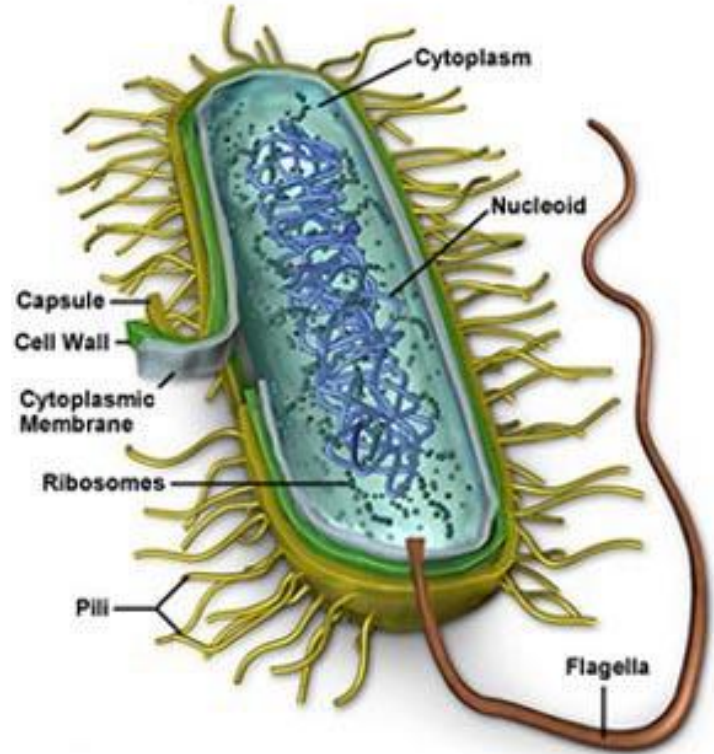
## Disinfecting

- The inactivation of pathogens.
- Most common disinfectants:
  - quaternary ammonium compounds
  - hydrogen-based
  - sodium hypochlorite

# How Disinfectants Work

To Work Properly, Disinfectants Need:

- Proper Concentration
- Dwell Time
- Kill Claims
- PROPER APPLICATION PROCESS!



# **CDC - Interim Infection Prevention and Control Recommendations for Healthcare Personnel During the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Pandemic**

*Updated Feb. 2021*

- Use dedicated medical equipment should be used when caring for patients (suspected or confirmed)
- Ensure that environmental cleaning and disinfection procedures are followed consistently and correctly
- Implement routine cleaning and disinfection procedures (2-step process)
- Manage laundry, food service utensils, and medical waste





# Cleaning & Disinfection: Policy & Procedures

- Selection of tools, supplies, equipment and chemicals
- Increased frequency of cleaning and disinfection in high density and high-touch areas
- Staff training
- Staff roles and responsibilities
- Cleaning and disinfection procedures
- Validation of cleanliness



# HIERARCHY OF SUSCEPTIBILITY



SARS-CoV-2

# List N: Disinfectants for Use Against SARS-CoV-2

<https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-registration/list-n-disinfectants-use-against-sars-cov-2>

- List N includes products that meet EPA's criteria for use against SARS-CoV-2, the novel coronavirus that causes the disease COVID-19.
- Note: Inclusion on this list does not constitute an endorsement by EPA.
- **Expedited Review by EPA has ceased (April 2021)**



# Concerns Surrounding Application of Disinfectants

## Poison control sees spike in calls for cleaner, disinfectant accidents amid COVID-19 pandemic

By Richard Bennett, Senior Writer April 21, 2020

Calls related to cleaner and disinfectant exposure are up 20% compared with calls last year.

 Comments (2)



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Calls to poison control centers regarding exposure to household cleaners and disinfectants have spiked amid the COVID-19 pandemic, according to a new report.

The report authors found that, from January to March this year, poison control centers received 45,350 calls related to cleaner and disinfectant exposure. That's up 20% compared with calls over the same period in 2019, according to the report, from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

## CDC: Some Americans are misusing cleaning products — including drinking them — in effort to kill coronavirus

By Richard Bennett, Senior Writer April 21, 2020



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To try to kill the novel coronavirus, some Americans are **misusing** cleaning products and disinfectants, including washing their hands with them, using the products on their skin, and treating and ingesting them, federal health officials reported Friday.

But the report cautions explicitly against using cleaning products in these ways.

The findings come from an [online survey](#) of 202 adults conducted by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in May. Thirty-nine percent had misused the cleaning products, and one-quarter reported an adverse health effect that they believed was a result of the products.



# Safer Disinfectant Choices

Healthy Green Schools & Colleges recommends choosing List N products with any of the following active ingredients:

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- hydrogen peroxide\*\*
- citric acid
- lactic acid
- ethyl alcohol (also called ethanol or just alcohol), or
- isopropyl alcohol
- peroxyacetic acid\*\*
- sodium bisulfate
- hypochlorous acid

\*\*The combination of hydrogen peroxide and peroxyacetic acid is a designated AOEC asthmagen, so avoid products that contain both.

# Application Methods



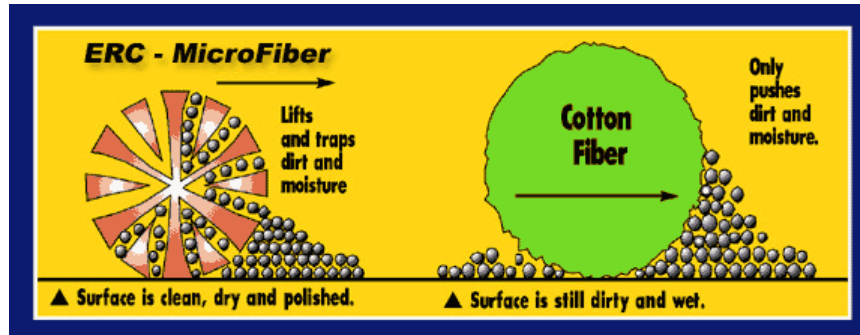
- Electrostatic Sprayers
- Vapor Systems
- Spray Bottles
- Traditional Wiping

**THE LABEL IS THE LAW!**

# Microfiber

What is Microfiber?

1. Fine synthetic fiber (polyester & nylon)
2. 1/16 thickness of human hair
3. ↑ Surface area = ↑ absorbency
4. + Charge attracts and trap soils and bacteria (> cotton)
5. Able to penetrate cracks and crevasses (> cotton & paper towels)



# Cleaning Validation Tools



- Adenosine triphosphate (**ATP**) is an enzyme that is present in all living cells.
- ATP is the the universal unit of energy in all living cells.
- **ATP** can detect the amount of organic matter that remains after **cleaning** an environmental surface.



## ES Optimizer Mobile Room Inspections

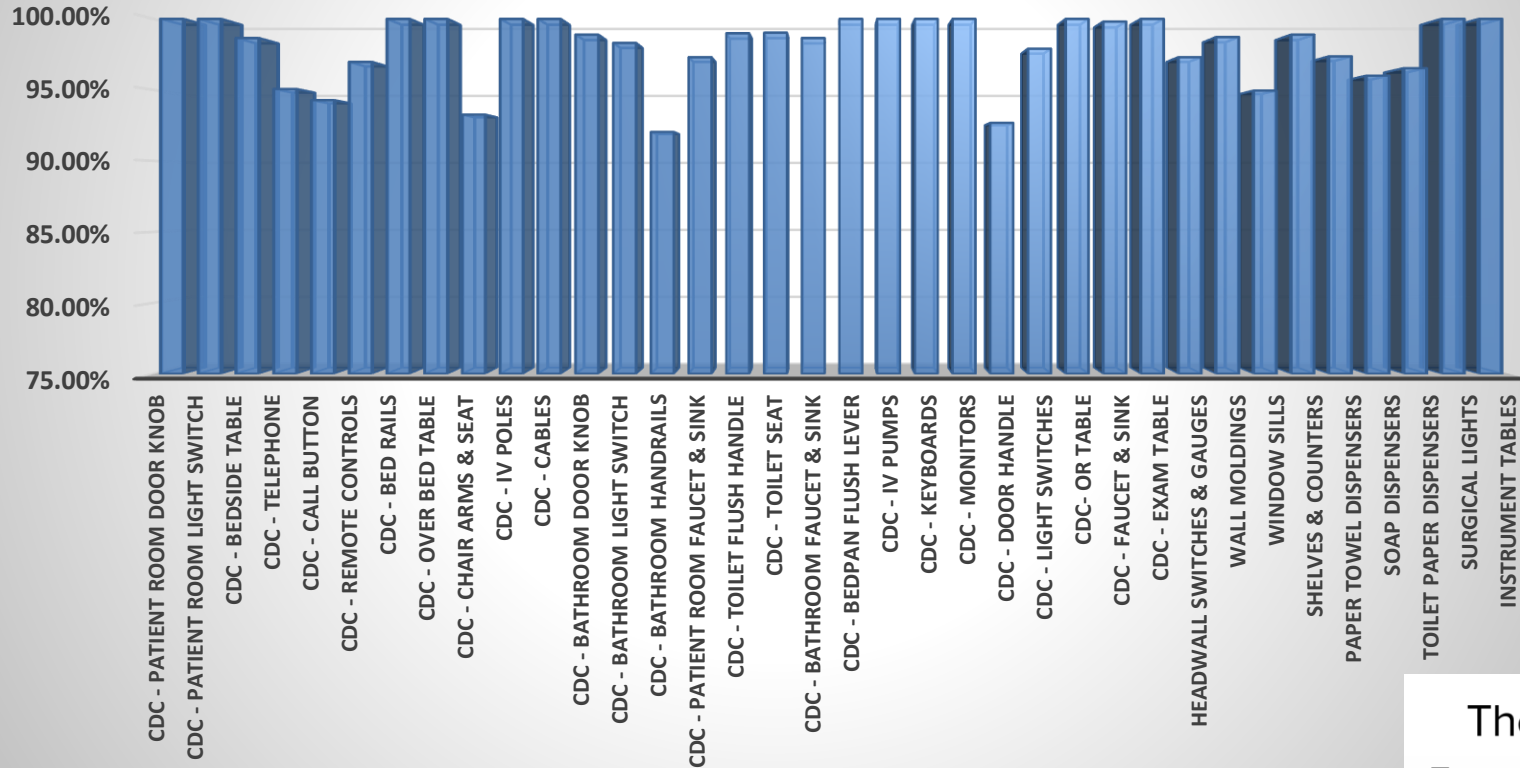
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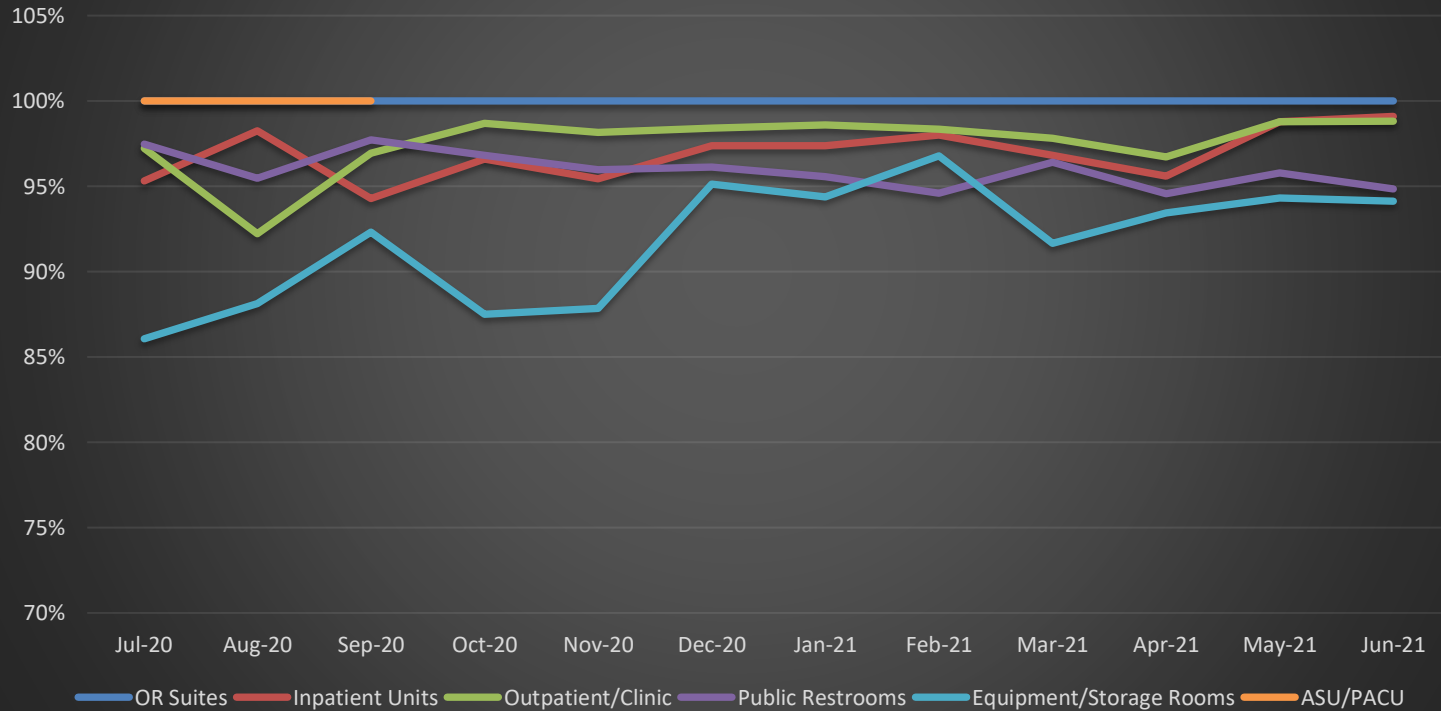
# Black Light Audit % Compliance by Surface

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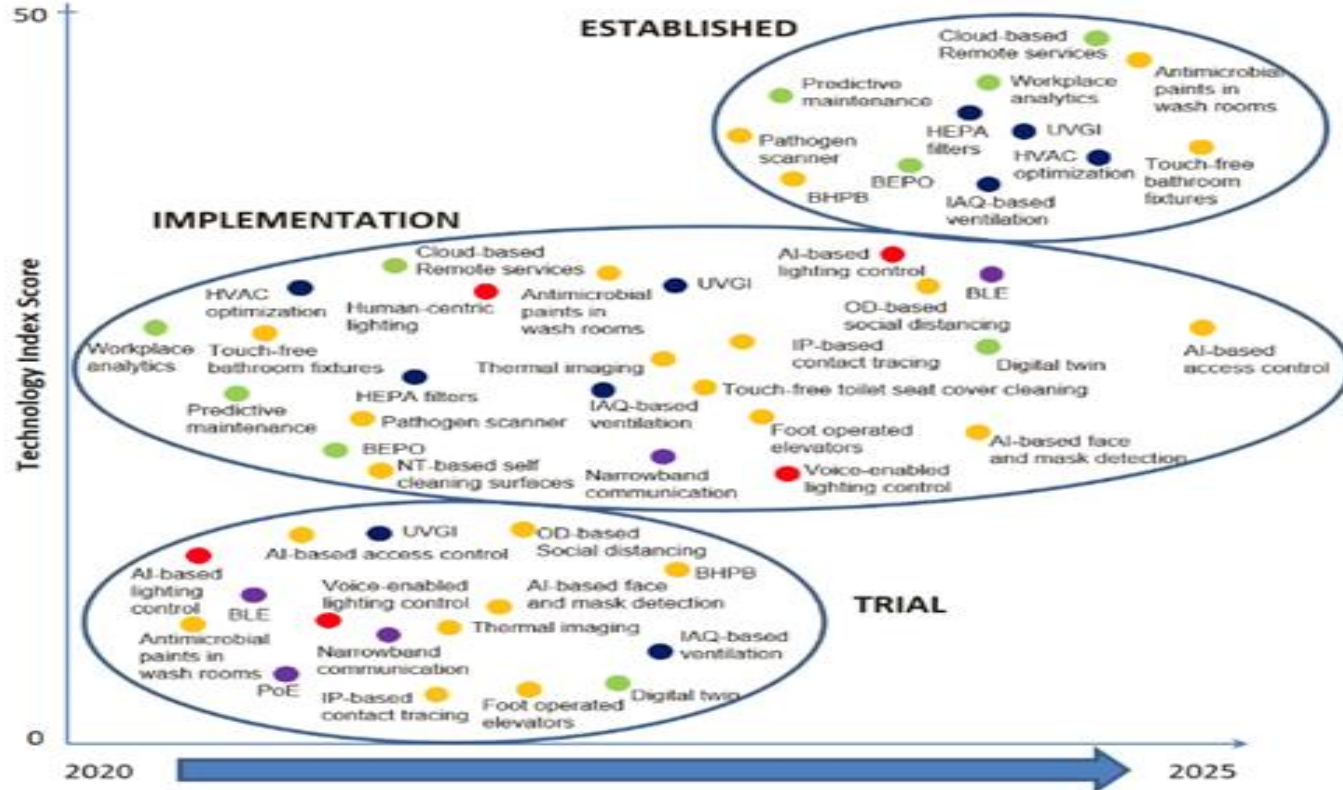
Goal = 90% Pass Rate % Compliant



## Black Light Audit % Compliance by Area FY 2021



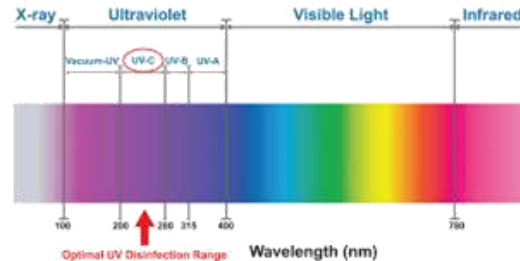
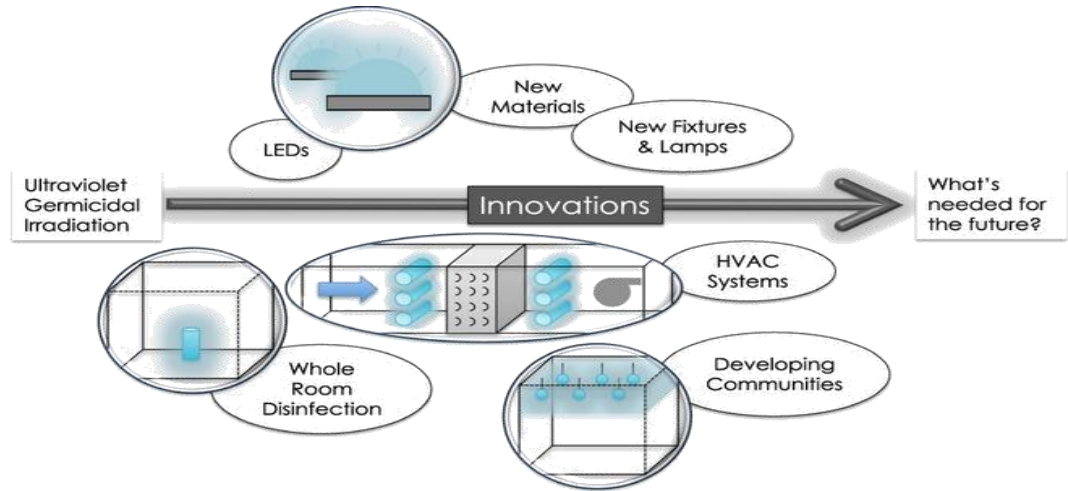
# Products Anticipated to Be Used



# Additional Disinfection Methods

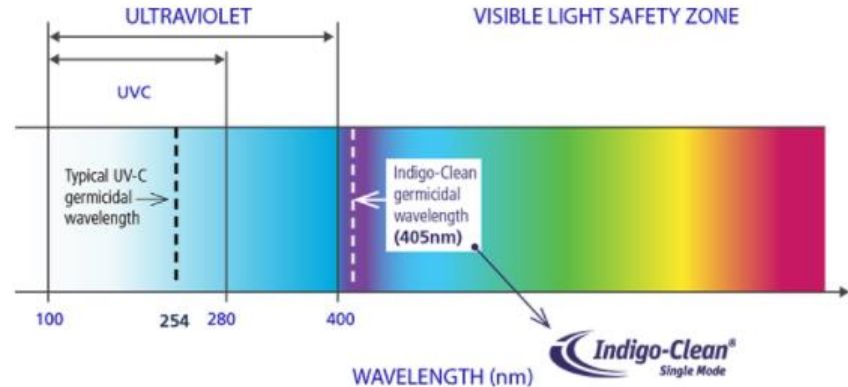
## Ultraviolet Germicidal Irradiation

- Short wave, high energy ultraviolet C (UVC) light destroys microorganism's DNA
- Applications for water, air and surface disinfection
- UVC – *Group 1* carcinogen



# High-Intensity Narrow-Spectrum (HINS) Light

- 405 nm, sometimes referred to as “Near UV,” although not in the UV spectrum.
- Conforms to international safety guidelines for clinical use in occupied rooms
- Provides continuous disinfection of air and exposed surfaces in occupied spaces.



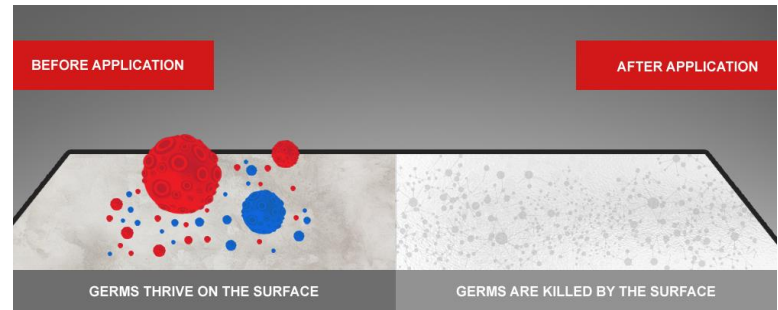
# Antimicrobial Surfaces

Replacing traditional materials (e.g., plastic, stainless steel) with materials with antimicrobial properties or treating surfaces with coatings

- Copper
- Silver

**Antimicrobial surface coatings**

- Surfaces sprayed with surfacine or organosilane



# EPA Registration: Residual Efficacy Claims



- Addition of residual (i.e., extended or long-lasting) efficacy claims:
  - for currently registered or new product registrations that would qualify for List N;
  - or products that can be used as a residual supplement to disinfectants on List N.



# Section 18 Emergency Exemption

- **SurfaceWise2**

- Coating applied by ESS in TX, OK, AK by use of American Airlines planes & facilities



- **Grignard Pure**

- Anti-viral mist used in GA & TN for indoor spaces in healthcare, transportation and public indoor facilities



- **BIAXAM**

- Adhesive film used in GA, MN, UT AK by use of Delta planes & facilities



# Biobreak – 30 minutes

Please bring your completed cards with your answers to the 6 Survey Questions up to the front ...

Our presentation will resume promptly at .....

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*Learning Objective:*

2. Engage in a continuum of discovery to reveal new challenges and real-world issues related to surface material failures throughout the healthcare built environment, and the impact of environmental contaminants, cleaning chemicals, and methods.

# Case Study – University Health System

**New 1.2 million SF state-of-the-art Cancer Hospital opened in 2014**

## **Project Goals for Furniture and Finishes:**

- Create a safe environment for patients, guests and staff
- Sophisticated esthetic
- LEED Gold / reduce use of PVC – based products
  - Design Consultant chose to replace 90% of PVC with Polyurethane coated fabrics and finishes.*
- Reduce first cost
- Increased durability
- Ease of housekeeping and maintenance



# Unintended Consequences

## Rapid degradation of polyurethane (PU) coated fabrics and finishes:

- At **8 months** in Emergency Department waiting and exam rooms
- Within **2 years**:
  - Surgery waiting areas, infusion rooms
  - all 24/7 patient care areas, including task chairs/stools
- Within **3 years**:
  - all areas, Gummy texture and peeling of task chair/stools
  - all clinic waiting areas, and PU top coat failure on printed vinyl, revealing white base coating
  - peeling of PU wood finishes
  - peeling and degradation of PU arm caps

# Public and Patient Area Failures

## Issues:

- Cleaning & Chemicals
- “no rinse” protocol
- UV light treatment
- Heat
- Oils
- Sweat
- 24/7 use
- Rubbing/abrasion
- Polyurethane-based materials



# Clinical and Office Support Areas Failures

## Issues:

- Heat
- Oils
- Sweat
- 24/7 use
- Rubbing/abrasion points
- Polyurethane-based materials



*These surfaces are not scheduled to be routinely cleaned by EVS*

# Extent of Failures

## Quantity of Failures from the Cancer Hospital, (Original items):

**1,053** Inpatient sleep settees, overnight sleep chairs, & patient recliners

**540** Large scale lounge seating units

**923** Infusion Recliners & exam /infusion room guest seating

**130** (ED only) modular & exam room seating

**1,623** Upholstered Task chairs & stools

**4,269 + additional failures in administrative and research buildings in 2020**

*Note that we had ordered large quantities of furniture with **these same polyurethane fabrics and finishes between 2013 and 2018** to replace public and patient care furniture in waiting areas throughout the university hospital campus and all off-campus buildings and clinics.*



# Why is this so important?

## 1. Epidemiology (EPI) Concerns

- EVS staff is unable to properly clean and disinfectant the surfaces due to damage & vulnerable subsurface of material exposed.
- Hospital Acquired Infections, (HAI) risks associated with the exposed sub-surfaces, cushion cores, soft backings, and raw wood:

### **SARS-CoV-2**

**Multidrug resistant organisms (e.g. MRSA, VRE)**

**Clostridium difficile**

**Acinetobacter**

**Pseudomonas**

**Klebsiella**

**2. Contaminated Furniture has to be pulled out of service - sent to hard trash**

**3. Financial impact - unforeseen cost of replacement furniture**

*– capital & operational budget diversions est. \$9 Million over 5+ years*

# What's the plan?

**Discover the sources of failures** - *collaborate with Chemical & Materials Engineering / CDME to understand chemical formula and construction of materials, generate hypothesis for lab tests*

**Assess the impact** to the hospital's business model – *operational vs. capital \$*

**Define new Attributes and expand the conversation** - *engage Facilities, EVS, EPI, Safety, Compliance, Supply Chain, Center for Innovation, Hospital Leadership*

- Increased durability to resist cleaning chemicals / methods and environmental contaminants
- Create new tests & performance criteria for upholstery and finishes specifications
- Create safer environments for all users
- Aligned with the OSUWMC Brand / esthetic
- **Reduce cost** – first and life-cycle considerations, plan for accelerated failures in non-clinical and administrative buildings

# Third Party Lab Material Testing: 2018-2019

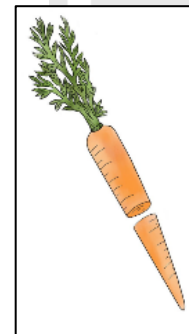
**Goal** – Create fabric performance tests that reflect the current state of disinfecting chemicals/methods, and environmental contaminants within the acute care hospital setting to more accurately predict fabric performance:

Disinfectant & Accelerated UV Exposure Tests, Combined Together

Stain Resistance Test – New Staining Agents and Cleaning Chemicals

**Ten upholstery fabrics types currently marketed for “healthcare” tested:**

- Vinyl with Brand A topcoat
- Vinyl with UV and acrylic topcoat
- Vinyl with Brand B topcoat
- Polyurethane
- Thermoplastic Elastomer
- Polycarbonate with Brand C topcoat
- Silicone, no top coat
- Silicone with Brand C topcoat
- 100% nylon matrix
- Treated Leather



# Disinfectant & Accelerated UV Exposure Test

**Disinfectants and Cleaners** –*after saturation and drying, chemicals are left on samples going in to Xenon-Arc chamber to test for light-fastness and degradation*

- 10% bleach solution
- Oxivir TB: Hydrogen Peroxide (0.5%)
- Oxycide: Hydrogen Peroxide + Peroxyacetic Acid
- Quaternary - Virex II 256
- JF2 Glance: Non-ammoniated
- JF3 Stride Citrus Neutral cleaner
- Hand Sanitizer - 70% Isopropanol



# Disinfectant & Accelerated UV Exposure Test

## Rating for fabrics for both tests:

4

**Excellent:** No effect to the integrity or appearance of the material

3

**Good:** Slight discoloration. Damage determined to not affect the material performance and aesthetically mildly objectionable.

2

**Poor:** Moderate effect. Softening, Stiffening and/or swelling are present and permanent.

1

**Severe effect:** Discoloration, cracking and/or delamination clearly visible or objectionable aesthetics.



# Disinfectant & Accelerated UV Exposure Test - Results

Disinfectant	Fabric 1 Vinyl w/Brand A Topcoat	Fabric 2 Vinyl w/UV & Acrylic Topcoat	Fabric 3 Thermoplastic Elastomer	Fabric 4 Silicone, no topcoat	Fabric 5 Polyurethane	Fabric 6 Treated Leather	Fabric 7 Vinyl w/Brand B Topcoat	Fabric 8 100% Nylon Matrix	Fabric 9 Polycarbonate w/Brand C Topcoat	Fabric 10 Silicone w/Brand C Topcoat
A In-house Bleach	Rating: 3.0	Rating: 3.0	Rating: 1.7	Rating: 3.3	Rating: 1.0	Rating: 2.0	Rating: 1.3	Rating: 1.0	Rating: 2.0	Rating: 4.0
B Oxivir TB: Hydrogen Peroxide (0.5%)	Rating: 2.0	Rating: 3.0	Rating: 2.0	Rating: 3.0	Rating: 1.0	Rating: 2.7	Rating: 3.0	Rating: 1.3	Rating: 2.0	Rating: 3.0
C Oxycide: Hydrogen Peroxide + Peroxyacetic Acid	Rating: 2.0	Rating: 3.0	Rating: 2.0	Rating: 3.0	Rating: 1.3	Rating: 2.3	Rating: 2.3	Rating: 2.3	Rating: 2.0	Rating: 3.0
D Quaternary- Virex II 256	Rating: 4.0	Rating: 4.0	Rating: 2.0	Rating: 4.0	Rating: 1.3	Rating: 3.0	Rating: 4.0	Rating: 1.3	Rating: 1.7	Rating: 4.0
E JF2 Glance: Non-ammoniated	Rating: 4.0	Rating: 4.0	Rating: 2.0	Rating: 2.7	Rating: 1.0	Rating: 3.7	Rating: 4.0	Rating: 1.0	Rating: 2.3	Rating: 3.0
F JF3 Stride Citrus Neutral Cleaner	Rating: 3.3	Rating: 4.0	Rating: 2.0	Rating: 2.7	Rating: 1.0	Rating: 4.0	Rating: 4.0	Rating: 3.3	Rating: 2.7	Rating: 2.3
G Hand Sanitizer- 70% Isopropanol	Rating: 4.0	Rating: 3.3	Rating: 2.0	Rating: 2.0	Rating: 1.0	Rating: 3.7	Rating: 4.0	Rating: 1.3	Rating: 3.0	Rating: 3.0

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**1** Severe Effect

# Disinfectant & Accelerated UV Exposure Test

## Takeaways:

- **Prolonged exposure to UV light matters with ALL disinfectant residue. What is the impact of different UVC light technologies?**
- **UV additive** appears to be very helpful in preventing damage
- **Topcoats & performance treatments/base cloth combinations matter** – polycarbonate vs. silicone with the same branded performance treatment/top coat had different results
- **50% of fabrics** rated for healthcare appear vulnerable to alcohol-based hand sanitizer and “non-oxidizing” cleaning chemicals
- **Acrylic topcoat**, not usually considered for healthcare, appears to perform very well with disinfecting chemicals, even alcohol-based hand sanitizers

# Stain Resistance Test – New Staining Agents

## Commonly used environmental contaminants in healthcare and public areas tested:

### Patient Transferrable Stains

1. Super Lustrous Lipstick- Love That Red (already on standard test)
2. Baby Oil (already on standard test)
3. Daily Moisture Dry Skin Moisturizer
4. Acetone Nail Polish Remover
5. Non-Acetone Polish Remover
6. Broad-Spectrum Sunscreen SPF 50 (Oxybenzone 5%, Avobenzone 3%, Octocrylene 4%, Homosalate 10%, Octisalate 5%)
7. Skin Sunscreen Lotion with Broad Spectrum SPF 60+(Zinc oxide 4.7%, Titanium dioxide 4.9%)
8. Jamaican black castor oil strengthen restore leave-in conditioner

### Synthetic Body Fluids and Clinical Reagents

1. Stomach Acid – Carolina Biological Supply Company: Gastric Juice, Artificial, Laboratory Grade
2. Human Sweat – Pickering AATCC TM15 Sweat pH 4.3
3. Urine – Carolina Biological Supply Company: Simulated Urine, Normal (already on standard test)
4. Viscot Mini Surgical Fine Tip Marker



# Stain Resistance Test – Cleaning Chemicals

Application of staining agent with *extended dwell time of 48 hours*

Cleaning of staining/contaminate agents *with hospital disinfectants in lieu of soap & water:*

- Oxivir TB wipes Hydrogen Peroxide (0.5%)
- Clorox Bleach Germicidal Wipes
- Virex II 256



# Stain Resistance Test – Results

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I Johnson's Baby Oil	1 (Oxivir)	S: +	S: +	S: -	S: +	S: +	S: +	S: +	S: +	S: -	S: -	
		Rating: 3.3	Rating: 3.7	Rating: 4.0	Rating: 3.0	Rating: 3.3	Rating: 2.7	Rating: 3.7	Rating: 3.0	Rating: 4.0	Rating: 3.3	
	2 (Bleach)	S: +	S: +	S: +	S: +	S: +	S: +	S: +	S: -	S: +	S: +	S: -
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	3 (Virex)	S: +	S: +	S: +	S: +	S: +	S: +	S: +	S: -	S: +	S: -	S: -
		Rating: 3.7	Rating: 2.7	Rating: 3.3	Rating: 3.0	Rating: 3.3	Rating: 2.3	Rating: 4.0	Rating: 2.3	Rating: 4.0	Rating: 3.0	Rating: 3.0
	4 (Oxivir)	S: +	S: +	S: +	S: +	S: +	S: +	S: +	S: -	S: +	S: -	S: -
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Evaluated using:		+ (present)	or - (not present)									

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M Coppertone Ultraguard Sunscreen Continuous Spray SPF 50	1 (Oxivir)	S: +	S: +	S: +	S: +	S: +	S: +	S: +	S: +	S: +	S: +
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# Stain Resistance Test – Results Take-Aways

Patient Transferrable Stains	Scores:
Super Lustrous Lipstick- Love That Red	100% fabrics stains present – no 4s
Baby Oil	75% of fabrics stains present, all at 2 or 3, few 4s
Daily Moisture Dry Skin Moisturizer	60% of fabrics stains present; all at 2 or 3, few 4s
Acetone Nail Polish Remover	30% fabrics types stains present; 3 or 4
Non-Acetone Polish Remover	30% fabric types stains present; 2, 3, 4
Broad-Spectrum Sunscreen SPF 50 (Oxybenzone 5%, Avobenzone 3%, Octocrylene 4%, Homosalate 10%, Octisalate 5%)	100% fabrics stains present – no 4s; all fabric types scored 1-2, very few 3s
Skin Sunscreen Lotion with Broad Spectrum SPF 60+(Zinc oxide 4.7%, Titanium dioxide 4.9%)	100% fabrics stains present – no 4s; 1 fabric type scored 1, most scored 2
Jamaican black castor oil strengthen restore leave-in conditioner	100% fabrics stains present – no 4s
Synthetic Body Fluids and Clinical Reagents	Scores:
Stomach Acid	40% fabrics stains present, all at 3 & 4
Human Sweat	0% fabric stains present, though 50% scored 3 on degradation & appearance
Urine	0% fabric stains present, though 50% scored 3 on degradation & appearance
Viscot Mini Surgical Fine Tip Marker	100% fabrics stains present; no 4s, many 1,2s

## We are not done yet...

- Operating Rooms – damage to new interior finish materials



Wall - Last Phase c



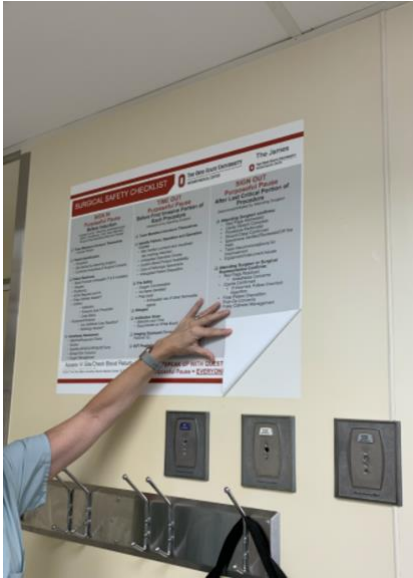
Wall - First Phase b



New floor and wall materials in recently renovated ORs have been aging/yellowing/failing at a fast rate, (noticeable within 6 months) = *microscopic fissuring that harbors pathogens*

## We are not done yet...

- Operating Rooms – visible damage to surfaces, sensors and devices



# Hypothesis

- Cleaning and disinfection methods may be the source of damage to new finishes
- New OR wall finish materials are thermoplastic panels and bumper rails; *(old walls were glazed ceramic tile).*
- New OR flooring is epoxy resinous flooring, *(new VOC-free formula, top coat is different than existing).*
- *Germicidal process using high intensity UVC (254 nm) radiation, with or without the use of wet chemical agents to clean and disinfect the rooms, may be the source of the new damage.*
- **We also use this technology for Cancer and All inpatient room turns, so we are evaluating for accelerated damage to surfaces**

# Height of Surfside Emitters (aka – “towers”)

No matter what UVC bulb/machine manufacturer:

- ▶ Without the Parabolic Concentrator forcing energy into the environment, UVC will **not** reach maybe 3 feet.
- ▶ With the Parabolic Concentrator the energy reaches 5-7; 10 feet+ with combined energy of multiple towers.

Sends energy to ceiling



Sends energy to floor

## Laser Mapping

Laser at top of each emitter measures size of room  
+  
How close emitters are to everything in room AND each other  
=  
Precise Room Disinfection



3ft  
5ft or  
7ft radius  
around  
each  
emitter



## Moving Forward

- **There is no “silver bullet” fabric for healthcare – yet!**
- **Modify industry standardized tests** to update expectations of performance – adjust to changes in disinfectants and CDC requirements
- **Discover extent of damage by UV light technologies & develop standardized material tests, with and without EVS chemical residue**
- Prioritize **component-based furniture** over unitized to easily replace components that are forecasted to degrade over time
- Adjust **life-cycle replacement** expectations with Owner/end-user
- Manufacturers have **opportunity for innovative & collaborative product development** to create durable fabrics and finishes
- **Start testing other vulnerable and failing finishes**





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### *Learning Objective*

4. Evaluate multiple attributes when specifying products, materials, and surfaces to improve successful outcomes.

## *Multiple Attributes*





*Performance vs.  
Sustainability vs.  
Health & Wellness*

**OR**

*Performance +  
Sustainability +  
Health & Wellness*



# Owner Project Requirements

Product Selection and Specification

# Owner Project Requirements (OPR)

## Project Type: Hospital Emergency Room

Building Service Life: Exterior: 50 years

Building Service Life: Systems: 20 years – 2 ½ Cycle Renovations based on System Service Life

Building Service Life: Interior: 12 years – 4+ Cycle Renovations based on Product Service Life

Outcome: Mitigate / Reduce Infection Risk

Outcome: Improve ED CAHPS Scores (pre- and post-COVID-19 pandemic)

Outcome: Improve Patient and Family Satisfaction

Outcome: Improve Care Staff Retention

Outcome: Improve Staff Satisfaction

Outcome: Reduction of Fall Risk

Resource: Facility Guidelines Institute: [www.fgiguilines.org](http://www.fgiguilines.org): Hospital – OPR and Safety Risk Assessment

Resource: Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services: <https://www.cms.gov/Research-Statistics-Data-and-Systems/Research/CAHPS/ED> (as of 11/05/2020)

# Design Firm Recommendations

Hospital Emergency Room – existing site constraints dictate orientation and location of building

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Operational cost savings is key to the Client

Environmental expectations: Energy & Water Savings

Material Selection: Product Service Life, Global Warming Potential, & IEQ

Health & Wellness: Acoustic and Lighting Comfort, Quality, & Control, Water Access, Availability & Quality



# Hospital Emergency Room

Performance characteristics for ER product specifications:

- Surfaces to withstand high frequency of cleaning & disinfection
- Handwashing sink accessible locations
- Visual & physical staff access to patients
- Patient & family comfort
- Surface impact resistance
- Lighting controls & contrast
- Durable acoustic materials
- Warm aesthetics



# Product Selection Process

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# Product Selection Process

## Attribute Example: Product Life Cycle

- Comparison of Products
- Performance Testing of Products
- What are the other performance and functional considerations based upon the OPR and the Sustainable / Health & Wellness Requirements?
  - Global Warming Potential (Embodied Carbon)
  - Indoor Environmental Quality
    - Operationally – Green Cleaning and Disinfection
    - IAQ: VOCs – Product Emissions / On-going
    - Acoustics / Thermal / Lighting Comfort (e.g., LRV)

**It is essential to move beyond a single attribute comparison for final product selection!**

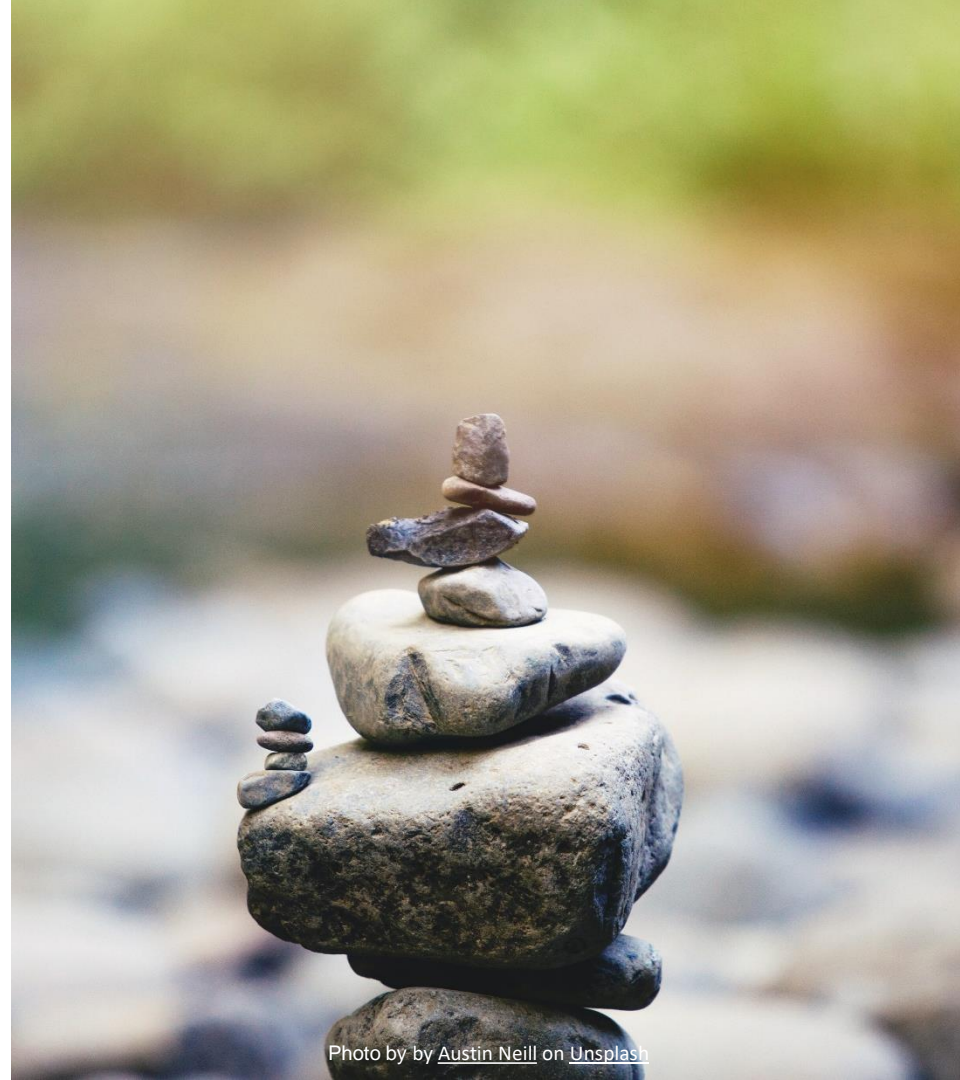


## Summary of Complexity of Product Failure

- Evaluation of material selection based upon single attribute
- Perception of “sustainability” or “material health”
- Appropriate product for the appropriate application
- Evaluate ALL performance requirements – including cleaning and disinfection
- Real world conditions – kill time, staff time, FTEs, environmental services training and education

# Balancing Criteria

- There are some trade-offs – realizing that some will take precedent over others
- Product Service Life to be identified and tied to Use Phase – based upon performance through maintenance, durability, etc.
- COVID-19 – SARS-CoV-2 – cleaning, sanitizing, and disinfection for human health and safety are still front and center





Balance is  
Necessary to  
Avoid  
Unintended  
Consequences



## Durable Coated Fabrics

AAHID supports the collaborative efforts of the [Durable Coated Fabrics Task Group](#) to provide resources to healthcare interior designers that assist with durable coated fabric selections based upon appropriate application, research, minimum performance standards and relevant test methods.



### *Next Steps...*

*DCF updates are available on the new AAHID website!*

*Link: <https://aa hid.org/resources/durable-coated-fabrics/>*



Additional information will be posted on the AAHID website and Linked In pages

Encourage all interior designers to discuss with your peers, clients, etc.

We don't have all the answers yet, but do have collaborative partners to help find the solution!



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Cleaning and Disinfection

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/J6W3PDX>

Healthcare Durable Coated Fabrics Upholstery Failures

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