

To start, we want to collect some general information about your role.

Please answer the following questions about your position and experience to the best of your ability. Again, all responses are recorded anonymously.

1. At what facility/hospital do you work?

- Facility/hospital X
- Facility/hospital Y
- Facility/hospital Z

2. What is your primary work area?

- Inpatient
- Outpatient
- Office

3. How many years have you worked in EVS at this facility?

- 0-5 years
- 6-10 years
- 11-15 years
- 16-20 years
- More than 20 years

4. In your work, do you ever clean rooms in an ICU (intensive care unit)?

- Yes
- No

The first few questions and statements are about working at this hospital.

5. My work is very important to keep patients safe.

- Strongly Disagree
- Disagree
- Agree
- Strongly Agree

6. I worry that the cleaning products I use may be harmful to me.

- Never
- Sometimes
- Often
- Always

7. I worry I may get sick from patients when I clean their rooms.

- Never
- Sometimes
- Often
- Always

8. It is clear what EVS is responsible for cleaning and what the nursing staff is responsible for cleaning.

- Never
- Sometimes
- Often
- Always

9. While I am cleaning a patient room, I'm asked to stop and assist with another task inside or outside of the room.

- Never
- Sometimes
- Often
- Always

10. While I am cleaning a patient room, a nurse asks me to stop so they can care for the patient:

- Never
- Sometimes
- Often
- Always
- Not applicable to my hospital

11. The UV light disinfection (UV) machine is being used in some hospitals to clean patient rooms with UV light. Please answer the following question about UV light use in your hospital: I know when the UV light machine should be used in a patient room:

- Never
- Sometimes
- Often
- Always
- I don't know

12. The doctors at this institution show appreciation for the work that I do.

- Never
- Sometimes
- Often
- Always
- I don't know

13. The nurses at this institution show appreciation for the work that I do.

- Never
- Sometimes
- Often
- Always

14. I receive useful feedback about the way I clean patient rooms.

- Never
- Sometimes
- Often
- Always

15. Germs can be found living on: (check all that apply)

- Nurses' hands
- EVS workers' hands
- The toilet seat in a patient room
- The bed rails of a patient bed
- None of these

16. Before I enter a *C. difficile* contact isolation room, I put on: (check all that apply)

- Gloves
- Gown
- Regular mask
- Mask with face shield
- None of these

17. When I leave a *C. difficile* contact isolation room, I wash my hands with: (check all that apply)

- Regular soap
- Alcohol handrub (e.g., Purell)
- Chlorhexidine/antimicrobial soap
- Nothing since I was wearing gloves

Now that we have learned more about the general cleaning process, we want to ask you some questions about the process of daily cleaning in occupied patient rooms, specifically.

This section contains a mix of questions: some questions will ask you to agree or disagree, some will ask you to answer a question, and some will ask you how often a statement about daily cleaning of occupied rooms is true.

18. I have been taught how to do daily cleaning and disinfection of occupied rooms properly.

- Strongly
- Disagree
- Disagree
- Agree Strongly Agree

19. During daily cleaning and disinfection, I avoid cleaning near patients so I won't disturb them.

- Never
- Sometimes
- Often
- Always

20. During daily cleaning and disinfection, I use the approved hospital disinfectant to clean surfaces around the patient bed (for example, the over bed table, bed rail, and call box).

- Never
- Sometimes
- Often
- Always

21. I have enough time to perform daily cleaning and disinfection of occupied rooms properly.

- Never
- Sometimes
- Often
- Always

22. The over bed table is too cluttered to clean during daily cleaning and disinfection.

- Never
- Sometimes
- Often
- Always

23. Which item in an occupied patient room is hardest to access for daily cleaning and disinfection?

- Bed rail
- Over bed table
- Patient telephone
- Visitor chair
- Toilet seat

Other (please specify)

24. Are you confident that you can properly clean an occupied patient room?

- Not confident
- Somewhat confident
- Very confident

You have almost reached the end of our survey! Now we would like to learn more about the discharge cleaning process.

Just like the section on daily cleaning, this section contains a mix of questions: some will ask you to agree or disagree, some will ask you to answer a question, and some will ask you how often a statement about discharge cleaning is true.

25. I have been taught how to do discharge cleaning properly.

- Strongly Disagree
- Disagree
- Agree
- Strongly Agree

26. During discharge cleaning, I use the approved hospital disinfectant to clean surfaces around the patient bed.

- Never
- Sometimes
- Often
- Always

27. I have enough time to perform discharge cleaning properly.

- Never
- Sometimes
- Often
- Always

28. I know the type of isolation when I enter a room to do discharge cleaning.

- Never
- Sometimes
- Often
- Always

29. I can easily find out the type of isolation for a room if there is no isolation sign posted.

- Never
- Sometimes
- Often
- Always

30. Are you confident that you can properly clean a discharge room?

- Not confident
- Somewhat confident
- Very confident

Thank you for completing our survey! Before you go, can you please tell us what infection control topics you'd like to learn more about and if you have any other suggestions about how to improve your ability to clean patient rooms?

31. I want more education on the following topic(s): (check all that apply)

- Proper cleaning methods for daily cleaning of occupied rooms
- Proper cleaning methods for discharge cleaning
- Safety of cleaning products
- How patients get infections while in the hospital
- How to prevent patients from getting infections while in the hospital
- Specific types of infections (C diff., MRSA, influenza, etc.)
- Proper use of protective wear in isolation rooms (gowns, gloves, etc.)
- None of these

Other (please specify)

32. Please use the space below to tell us about any additional changes that could improve your ability to clean patient rooms.

You have reached the end of our survey! Thank you so much for participating -- we value your input and time.