

**OLIVE VIEW-UCLA MEDICAL CENTER
INFECTION CONTROL MANUAL
POLICY & PROCEDURE**

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**SUBJECT/TITLE: ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES INFECTION CONTROL FOR THE
CLEANING OF REFRIGERATORS & ICE MACHINES**

POLICY:

Outside of refrigerators are to be cleaned with an approved germicidal cleaner on a daily or as needed basis. Inside of refrigerators are to be cleaned with an approved germicidal cleaner monthly and the procedure noted on the refrigerator sign off log. Outside of ice machines are to be cleaned with an approved germicidal cleaner on a daily or as needed basis. Inside of ice machines are cleaned by the Facilities Division of Olive View-UCLA Medical Center.

PURPOSE:

DEPARTMENTS: Environmental Services, Infection Control

DEFINITIONS:

PROCEDURE:

1. Items on the interior of the refrigerator will be removed by staff.
2. Remove shelves as appropriate, and wash with germicidal solution.
3. Wash inside of refrigerator, horizontal and vertical surfaces, rubber gasket, doors, etc., with washcloth using germicidal solution.
4. Dry inside and out with dry, clean cloth.
5. Inform the appropriate staff that the refrigerator has been cleaned and that items removed can now be replaced.
6. Clean countertop and holding area where food was stored.

References:	
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