

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES (EVS) CART SET UP FLYER

BEST PRACTICES

- Only store necessary items in the EVS cart. Do not store food, drink, and/or personal items in the cart.
- Clean the EVS Cart prior to start and end of shift.
- Whether your facility uses premixed, automated mixing station, or manually prepares the cleaning or disinfectant solution, ensure that this process is done in a: designated area, following all of manufacturer's instructions, and accurate measuring tools.
- Fill solution bottles or containers at the start of shift and dispose of contents at the end of shift. Never refill used containers with different chemicals. Do not use spray bottles.
- Products must be used according to label instructions. (I.e bleach for C.Diff). Solutions in bottles or bins should match the contents of the label.
- Check expiration date.
- EVS staff should conduct a thorough assessment of all equipment needed prior to entering resident room and starting the cleaning process.



WHAT SHOULD BE IN YOUR EVS CART?

Top of the Cart

- Enclosed bin with clean microfiber cloths pre-soaked in facility approved disinfectant solution. Ensuring proper disinfectant solution labels are affixed with the correct name, use, and contact time.
- Resident/ patient room supplies

Inside of the Cart

- Microfiber cleaning cloths
- Cleaning solutions and disinfectants
- Solution containers
- Bags or bins for soiled linen

Outside/Front of the Cart

- Microfiber cloths for mopping, sweeping, and dusting
- Buckets
- Wet floor caution signs
- Soiled linen bag
- Trash bag

All information in this flyer can be found in detail through CDPH Project First Line Module 3: Setting Up a Cart. Please scan the QR code to be directed to the module.

