



2Life Communities Protocol: Apartment Disinfection After Vacancy

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| Policy Title: | Apartment Disinfection after Vacancy |
| Responsible Department(s): | Operations |
| Effective Date: | 04/21/20 |
| Approved By: | 2Life Protocol Team |

- I. **PROTOCOL STATEMENT:**
2Life Communities strives to ensure the safety of all our residents. This policy outlines actions for how to safely disinfect an apartment after a resident has vacated, regardless of infection status.
- II. **SCOPE:** All 2Life staff performing cleaning and disinfecting.
- III. **IMMEDIATE ACTIONS:**
- IV. **NO ACCESS SHOULD BE GRANTED TO THE APARTMENT FOR MINIMUM OF FIVE DAYS AFTER THE RESIDENT HAS VACATED THE APARTMENT.**
- V. **Cleaning chemicals to use during cleaning of apartment:** Disinfectant; Neutral Floor Cleaner; Bathroom Cleaner; Glass Cleaner; Bleach Wipes
- VI. **Equipment to use during cleaning of apartment:** Disinfectant bucket; Wet mop with handle and bucket; High Duster; Toilet brush and holder; 4-6 Rags; Trash bags
- VII. **Personal protective equipment (PPE) required:** Gloves; Mask
- VIII. **Cleaning protocol**
 - 1. **Do NOT enter apartment for five days**
 - 2. **After five days, allow family to enter apartment and remove belongings**
 - 3. **Discard anything left in apartment after the family is finished with the personal belongings**
 - Wash hands for a minimum of 20 seconds after entering the apartment
 - Don gloves and mask
 - Follow label instructions regarding kill times for viruses
 - Hydrogen Peroxide = Keep the surface wet for 30 seconds
 - Bleach Wipes = Keep the surface wet for 1 minute
 - Disinfectant = Keep the surface wet for 10 minutes
 - 4. **Move clockwise from door - skipping bathroom for last**
 - Empty trash containers

- Discard any open tissue boxes or toilet paper rolls
- Perform high dusting (all areas above shoulder height) includes but not limited to: TV, clock, blinds, vents, lights.
- Change rags as needed
- Saturate your cleaning rag with disinfectant. Clean the following: ledges, door handles, light switches, built in storage cabinets, drawers and doors, window sills/ledges, sinks/faucets, stove, refrigerator.
- Walls/thermostat
- Vacuum carpet and mop hard surface
- **Clean and disinfect bathroom last** -- saturate a new rag with disinfectant; clean the following: mirror, switches, door handles, sink and counter, wipe out all cabinets and shelves, wipe towel rack, wipe shower or tub, walls, toilet including seat/rim; mop floor.
- When Complete:
 - Discard gloves and mask
 - Remove all trash
 - Thoroughly wash hands