

## Procedure for Cleaning Body Fluid Spills

Spills of body fluids; **Blood**, **Faeces**, **Urine**, **Vomit**, **Saliva** and **Nasal** must be cleared up immediately to help control the risk of further infection.

For incidents involving blood, faeces, urine and vomit.

## Procedure:

- Wash your hands and ensure all cuts and grazes are covered with waterproof dressings.
- Put on Personal Protection Equipment (i.e. disposable gloves and disposable apron)
- Prepare a solution of general-purpose neutral detergent and a solution of disinfectant (prepared according to the manufacturer's instructions)
- Use paper towels to soak up the spillage then place into a disposable, leak proof plastic bag
- Apply the disinfectant solution to the spillage
- Wipe off any disinfectant solution left after cleaning up the spillage
- Wipe down area with paper towels soaked in detergent solution then wipe dry with paper towels
- Remove PPE ie gloves, apron, mask, clothes and put into plastic bag and seal. All sealed bags are to be doubled bagged and placed in the outside bin
- Do not use chlorine-based disinfectants e.g. household bleach directly onto urine spillages (to prevent a release of chlorine gas), soak up urine with paper towels before using a disinfectant.
- Always check that disinfectants are suitable for use on carpets and other soft furnishings as they may cause damage/discolouration. In these circumstances clean with neutral detergent and hand hot water, and then leave the area to dry.
- Wash your hands
- Area should be cleaned using disinfectant solution and appropriately coloured mop. Mops should then be washed and hung on rack to dry. (DO NOT USE PLAYROOM OR KITCHEN SINKS FOR THIS)

- All contaminated clothing or soft furnishings must be removed and laundered at a minimum temperature of 60 degrees C.
- Appropriate forms must be completed for parents to sign.

These procedures are in compliance with Health Protection Scotland's Infection Prevention and Control in Childcare Settings.

Please note the following:

**RED MOP:** For use in toilet areas only

BLUE MOP: For use in kitchen and Playroom only

Care Standard: 2.4 Quality Framework: 2.2

This policy has been reviewed and updated by parents/carers/staff

Signed: ..... May 24