## **Cleaning and Disinfection Protocol**

Remove all grossly visible debris.

The presence of gross contamination or organic material, especially feces, will inactivate most disinfectants.

Wash the area or item with water and detergent.

## Thoroughly rinse the cleaned area to remove any detergent residue.

Some disinfectants may be inactivated by detergents; therefore, it is very important to rinse well after washing the area or item.

Allow the area to dry completely.

Select and apply an appropriate, effective disinfectant.

## Allow the proper contact time!

This is one of the most overlooked steps!! Contact time may vary depending on the disinfectant selected, but is usually at least 10 minutes. Consult the product label.

## Thoroughly rinse away any residual disinfectant and allow the area or item to dry.