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## Sanitation simplified through metered dispensing

Save time, money, and create an OSHA-compliant environmentally friendly hospital with the Veterinary **Hospital Sanitation System Complete** 

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eterinary hospital sanitation is a time-consuming, daily process of cleaning and disinfecting various surfaces throughout your hospital. Everything from the exam tables, equipment, cages, kennels, floors, and countertops need to be cleaned daily. The best

animal-care facilities spend a lot of time and put a lot of emphasis on sanitation. Doing it efficiently is critical to controlling costs.

The process of proper veterinary hospital sanitation involves two factors: what staff is doing and what staff is using.

What staff is doing is the first and most important factor. This is because effective hospital sanitation is dependent mostly on a process of repetitive cleaning, not a specific product. Written SOPs (standard operating procedures) are recommended for all cleaning situations that need to be performed. Going over these cleaning procedures frequently with staff is the best way to ensure they are being done correctly every day. Understanding how the products work is critical to

developing proper cleaning protocols for your hospital. Keeping SOPs simple will lead to better consistency in how cleaning is being done among staff. Consulting with a Health Technology supplier with experience in animalcare sanitation can be a huge help when developing your cleaning SOPs.

The second factor is what the staff is using. Proper veterinary hospital sanitation requires four basic products to get it done right.

- 1) EPA-registered hospital-grade disinfectant cleaner for all
- 2) Degreaser for detail cleaning of oily dirty buildup on
- 3) Odor digester for deodorizing/cleaning soft/porous surfaces, outdoor areas, and drain maintenance.
- 4) Glass cleaner.

These four products are the basic cleaning solutions needed for proper sanitation. While it's true how your staff is going about their cleaning is the most important factor for effective hospital sanitation, using the right brand of products designed for animal care also will make a big difference. Again, consulting with your Health Technology supplier on products designed for animalcare cleaning is recommended.

The use of cleaner concentrates instead of already diluted cleaners is common in hospital applications and it makes good sense when you have a lot to clean every day. Properly utilizing cleaner concentrates is not only better for the environment, but significantly better on the bottom line. Utilizing concentrated cleaners will produce far less postconsumer waste that ends up in our landfills because we refill and reuse properly labeled ready-to-use bottles. The use-cost per spray bottle or gallon of cleaning product

is a fraction of the cost of a bottle or gallon of ready-touse product off the store shelf. When utilizing chemical concentrates, all your ready-to-use cleaning solutions are around 25 cents per 32-oz spray bottle. Compare that to the average price of a ready-to-use 32-oz cleaner off the store shelf. Utilizing cleaning product concentrates properly will reduce sanitation costs significantly and create a more environmentally friendly veterinary practice.



An obvious issue to using cleaner concentrates can be getting them mixed correctly. Having to mix and measure every spray bottle and mop bucket correctly takes time and training. In many instances, a measuring cup or pump is not readily available, and staff uses the quicker "glug glug" method of measurement. Right dilution is based solely on color, not correct measurement, and typically is a different shade from one spray bottle to the next. Cleaning disinfecting products with multiple dilutions based on efficacy and various applications can create an even bigger training nightmare. Many times, debate among staff arise as to how the cleaners are to be diluted prior to their use. Wasted product can be a costly unnecessary expense, which adds up to big dollars over time. Cleaning products mixed too strong are harder to remove from surfaces and will leave them sticky. Even worse, this causes surfaces to be unhealthy for animal contact due to the residual cleaner left behind. Mixing cleaning chemical concentrates can be hazardous and OSHA requires specific personal protection to be compliant.

How do you take advantage of the significant money savings and environmental benefits of using cleaner concentrates without having proper mixing issues that cause a time and money drain on your practice?

## The Veterinary Hospital Sanitation System

Since 1989, Health Technology Professional Products Inc., has specialized in animal-care sanitation. At Health Technology, we created the Veterinary Hospital Sanitation System. This approach to veterinary hospital sanitation combines the ideal germicidal cleaner Kennel Kare SC with our Mixing Center for a one-product approach to cleaning and disinfecting. Over the last 25-plus years, we have seen the Veterinary Hospital Sanitation System with the Kennel

Kare SC disinfectant cleaner go into thousands of veterinary hospitals and become a huge success.

## Why the Veterinary Hospital Sanitation System works

When you take the mixing and measuring of cleaning products out of your staff's hands, your veterinary practice will save both time and money while creating a more OSHA-compliant, environmentally friendly work place. Sanitation simplified has always been our objective.

The Veterinary Hospital Sanitation System Complete combines all the cleaning chemical concentrates needed with a proven dispenser design to provide accurately diluted ready-to-use cleaning solutions at the push of a button. The system includes a four-product durable stainless steel waterdriven dispenser that hangs on the wall and dispenses readyto-use cleaning solutions for both spray bottles and mop buckets. The system also comes with a commercial-grade hose end foamer for proper dilution and application at the end of the hose. Spray procedures with a hose end foamer for large cleaning situations, such as dog runs and kennels,

> save time and product. Each product in the system is color-coded for identification and comes with its own set of OSHA-compliant silkscreened spray bottles. One HT Wiper Bucket is included, which is a more environmentally friendly refillable wiper system compared to other wipes off the sore shelf. The HT Wiper Bucket System is designed to be refilled when the wipes are depleted. The wipes themselves are larger and more durable for hospital and commercial applications. The wipes may be used with any cleaning solutions being dispensed from your Mixing Center. The VHSS Complete comes with four gallons of concentrate per cleaning chemical. Included with the system are the SDS sheet and additional OSHA-compliant secondary container labels for each product. This

simplified system approach is the most efficient way to provide cleaning products your staff needs for proper veterinary hospital sanitation.

Which hospitals will the Veterinary Hospital Sanitation System Complete benefit from?

- A hospital that has a lot to clean.
- · A hospital that has more than just one staff member doing the cleaning.
- · A hospital at which staff spends too much time mixing spray bottles and mop buckets.
- A hospital that spends too much money on cleaning and disinfecting products.
- A hospital that needs to be OSHA-compliant.
- A hospital that strives to be more environmentally friendly. Contact us and speak with an animal care cleaning consultant at info@htproducts.net •

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## Simplify Sanitation



**Veterinary Hospital Sanitation System** 





- OSHA compliant
- \*Lifetime guarantee
- Environmentally friendly
- Color coded spray bottles
- Eliminates dilution training
- Saves time and money
- Easy, accurate & reliable
- Reduces product consumption



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