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Kim Montague
Umatilla Morrow Head Start

RE: Required concentrations of sanitizers for use in Child Care Facilities

Dear Kim,

After reviewing OAR 414-300, there are several references to the requirement to sanitize items routinely. A few of the key code citations are listed below:

- 414-300-0180(4)(C) Door knobs and cabinet pulls in toilet rooms and diaper changing areas shall be **sanitized** daily
- 414-300-0180(4)(H) Cribs, mats, and cots shall be **sanitized** with a **sanitizing solution** at least once a week and upon change of occupant. If visibly soiled, items must be cleaned prior to sanitizing.
- 414-300-0180(5)(a) The following shall be **sanitized** immediately after each use. If visibly soiled, items must be cleaned prior to sanitizing:
 - (A) A bathtub or other receptacle used for bathing a child;
 - (B) A diaper-changing table;
 - (C) High chairs, tables and chairs;
 - (D) Toys that infants and toddlers put in the mouth; and
 - (E) Toilet training seat inserts.
- 414-300-0250(4)(d) Food-contact surfaces and utensils shall be cleaned and **sanitized** after each use and/or whenever there is a change in processing from raw to ready-to-eat foods.

40 CFR 180.940, as referenced in the Oregon Food Rules OAR 333-150, limits chlorine as a sanitizer to no more than 200 ppm. Therefore, it is my opinion that using a concentration of bleach at 200 ppm would be sufficient for routine use on all of the above mentioned activities, as well as any additional references to "Sanitized". Please remember, any time a surface is to be "Sanitized" it should first be cleaned to remove any organic materials from the surface.

Please feel free to contact me regarding this letter at Joseph.fiumara@umatillacounty.net or 541-278-6394.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Joseph Fiumara'.

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