Key Takeaways:
- **The EPA regulates products that sanitize and disinfect surfaces**
- **Not all disinfectants are effective against all organisms**
- **A successful cleaning and disinfection program will include different options for different work uses/work areas**

Key Concepts:

Infection Prevention & Control	EPA What's the difference between products that disinfect, sanitize, and clean surfaces? https://www.epa.gov/coronavirus/whats-difference-between-products-disinfect-sanitize-and-clean-surfaces
	Environmental Cleaning Program Improvement Toolkit: A Practical Guide for Implementing the Best Practices for Environmental Cleaning in Healthcare Facilities in Resource-Limited Settings Environmental Cleaning Program Improvement Toolkit: A Practical Guide for Implementing the Best Practices for Environmental Cleaning in Healthcare Facilities in Resource-Limited Settings (cdc.gov)
	Environmental Services Cleaning Guidebook, Minnesota Hospital Association Environmental Services Cleaning Guidebook.pdf (mnhospitals.org)
	Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, Hospital Infection Control Worksheet, see section 2.D Environmental Services SC15-12.02.FY 2015 Hospital Infection Control Worksheet - Public.pdf (hhs.gov)
	Nebraska ASAP & ICAP Environmental Cleaning in Healthcare Training Video Series https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLUK2nSFZhL9k-a1mc__ksZeTvDUa5he9Q
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Take Home Points:

Ensure that disinfectants used at the facility have been approved by the infection prevention team
When disinfection is necessary, ensure that the agent used is labeled for use/ capable of killing the pathogens encountered at your facility.
It is essential to audit cleaning and disinfection to know if practices correct.