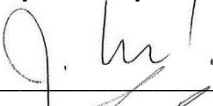
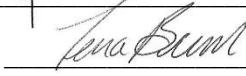


Leamington Mennonite Home

POLICY AND PROCEDURE

CATEGORY: Housekeeping	SUBJECT: Hand Hygiene Dispenser Specifications	SECTION: H
DATE: January 1, 2024	Administrator: 	POLICY: 1
REVISION DATES:	HKL Supervisor: 	

HAND HYGIENE DISPENSER SPECIFICATIONS

POLICY:

A supply of hand soap and hand sanitizer/alcohol-based hand rub (ABHR) will be made available for use by residents, staff, and visitors at all times.

PROCEDURE:

Housekeeping staff will:

- 1) Check hand soap and hand sanitizer dispensers daily and refill with product as required.
- 2) Report any malfunctioning dispensers to supervisor.
- 3) Monitor expiration dates.

The HKL Supervisor or designate will:

- 1) Purchase the recommended hand soap and hand sanitizer/ABHR from preferred supplier.
- 2) Install hand soap dispensers in every resident bathroom and at every hand sink location within the Home.
- 3) Liaise with the Infection Control Committee and IPAC Lead to determine recommended placement of ABHR hand hygiene stations.
- 4) Install non-aerosol dispensers with a flag and drip guard at point of care and in public areas throughout the Home.
- 5) Locate dispensers safely:
 - Away from potential sources of ignition such as radiant heaters that could raise container temperatures to above 49°C (120°F) and at least 1 m (3 feet) from any open flame.
 - Do not install dispensers above electrical switches and outlets for a horizontal distance of 150mm (6 inches) from centre of dispenser to exterior plate of electrical switch/outlet.
 - A minimum 1.2 m (4 feet) horizontal centre to centre spacing should be maintained between dispensers.
 - In corridors, not more than one dispenser of maximum 1.2 L (gel/liquid/non-aerosol foam) capacity shall be located at each entry into a room.
 - Dispensers shall not be installed in concealed spaces such as elevators.

- 6) Store any ABHR product not for immediate use in a storage room protected with a 1-hour fire separation. Alternatively, excess stock may be stored in a cabinet conforming to Division B, Subsection 4.2.10. of the Fire Code (ON).
- 7) Post signage in unsupervised public areas or oxygen enriched environments to indicate "Fire Hazard – Ensure Hands are Completely Dry after Use".

References: [OFM Guideline Office of the Fire Marshal OFM-TG-02-2011 Safe Practices for the Use of Alcohol-Based Hand Rub](#)