Clean for Health™ Compliance Checklist

A facility readiness reference aligned with CDC/HICPAC, The Joint Commission, OSHA, EPA, and APIC standards

Use this checklist to evaluate whether your facility's current cleaning program meets the core compliance touchpoints healthcare-adjacent environments are expected to maintain. This is a readiness reference, not a substitute for a full regulatory audit.

1. Area Risk Level Classification

Per the Spaulding Classification system — the foundation for assigning correct cleaning protocols

- ☐ **Critical** identified and labeled by area (per Spaulding Classification)
- ☐ **Semi-Critical** areas identified separately from non-critical zones
- ☐ **Non-Critical** areas (offices, lobbies, common spaces) on a distinct cleaning frequency
- ☐ Cleaning frequency and product selection assigned per risk level, not applied uniformly facility-wide

2. CDC / HICPAC Environmental Infection Control

Six core checkpoints drawn from CDC's Healthcare Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee guidance

- ☐ High-touch surfaces (door handles, light switches, rails) cleaned on a defined frequency, not ad hoc
- ☐ Terminal cleaning protocol documented for end-of-day or end-of-use room turnover
- ☐ Color-coded or single-use cloths/mop heads used to prevent cross-contamination between zones
- ☐ Dwell/contact time for disinfectants tracked and followed, not just product applied
- ☐ Isolation or precaution-area cleaning follows a separate, documented protocol
- ☐ Cleaning staff trained on CDC/HICPAC Environmental Infection Control guidance, with records on file

3. Joint Commission (Standard EC.02.06.01)

Environment of Care documentation typically requested during accreditation surveys

- ☐ **Cleaning logs** (cleaning frequency, scope, and responsibility by area) maintained and current
- ☐ **Safety Data Sheets (SDS)** on file for every chemical/disinfectant in active use
- ☐ **Training records** for cleaning staff documented, dated, and renewed on schedule
- ☐ **Corrective action** process exists for any missed cleaning or compliance gap, with documentation trail

4. OSHA Bloodborne Pathogens Standard

Four compliance checkpoints under 29 CFR 1910.1030

- ☐ **Staff training records** on file for all staff handling cleaning chemicals or potentially contaminated materials
- ☐ **PPE** (gloves, eye protection, etc.) supplied, used, and tracked by role
- ☐ **Exposure Control Plan** documented and accessible to all relevant staff
- ☐ **Incident log** maintained for any bloodborne pathogen exposure event

5. EPA Disinfectant Verification

Confirming product registry status, List N alignment, and contact-time documentation

- ☐ Every disinfectant in use is registered with the EPA and appropriate for the facility type
- ☐ **List N status** (EPA's list of disinfectants for emerging viral pathogens) confirmed for relevant products
- ☐ Manufacturer-specified contact/dwell time is documented and followed in practice, not just on the label
- ☐ Product registry reviewed periodically to confirm no discontinued or recalled products remain in rotation

6. APIC (Association for Professionals in Infection Control)

Terminal cleaning and isolation room protocol verification

- ☐ **Terminal cleaning checklist** protocol documented separately from routine daily cleaning
- ☐ **Isolation room protocol** for any isolation or transmission-precaution room confirmed and followed by staff
- ☐ Verification step exists to confirm terminal cleaning was completed before next occupancy

How to use this checklist: If you cannot confidently check every box above, your facility likely has gaps in documentation, training, or protocol consistency — the most common findings in a Clean for Health™ facility assessment.