

Protecting the fibers that protect your patients

#### A COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH TO ENVIRONMENTAL CLEA

# THE MICROVANTAGE FOUR-STEP PROCESS

Healthy doesn't happen by accident. As a leader in infection prevention, we utilize the MicroVantage process to help preserve the effectiveness of microfiber while providing actionable results to improve environmental hygiene.



#### **SEPARATE**

Washing microfiber with other fabrics may attract unwanted lint, which could harm its cleaning properties. We wash microfiber separately from other textiles and only with other microfiber products to protect the effectiveness of the fibers.

# **SANITIZE**

When laundered with chlorine bleach or in high temperatures often used in hygienically clean wash cycles, microfiber can be damaged, which lessens its effectiveness. We launder microfiber in a wash process that utilizes temperatures lower than 160°F—and features AdvaCare, an EPA-registered sanitizer developed by Ecolab. Our sanitizing wash process maintains the functional integrity of the fibers while reducing 99.9% of pathogens. In compliance with BBP handling requirements, our wash process meets CDC guidelines for healthcare laundry and provides an advanced level of clean.





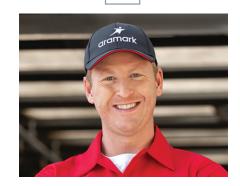
# **SUBSTITUTE**

We routinely inspect microfiber products at our processing facility to identify any missing or damaged items, which we then replace with new product. Our attention to detail helps ensure you receive effective microfiber, each and every time.

### **SERVICE**

Our Route Sales Representatives (RSRs) routinely replenish and monitor inventory.

RSRs are trained in the handling and transportation of BBP-bearing textiles.



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# **CEILING-TO-FLOOR CLEANING**

To maximize the effectiveness of your infection prevention protocols, it's important that your environmental services staff follow a methodical top-to-bottom approach to comprehensive cleaning. The use of proper cleaning products is key to this methodology.





Our flexible Microfiber High-Duster can clean high, out-ofreach surfaces, such as ceiling light fixtures, air vents, TVs and window coverings.

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Our Microfiber Towels can clean high-touch surfaces, such as doorknobs, IV poles, bed rails and bathroom fixtures.



Our Microfiber Mop can efficiently clean patient room floors.



# COMPROMISED MICROFIBER MAY PUT PATIENTS AT RISK

Many factors put hospital rooms at risk for cross-contamination: lack of proper cleaning tools, inadequate protocols, insufficient environmental monitoring. What's more, microfiber products can be compromised by improper laundering that damages fibers. As a result, excess bioburden is left behind on high-touch surfaces, which can lead to cross-contamination and healthcare-associated infections (HAIs).

# **CLEAN WITH CONFIDENCE**

Microfiber is proven to penetrate surface pores and remove dust particles more effectively than cotton? How microfiber is cared for can directly impact its effectiveness. That's why we developed MicroVantage, a stringent four-step process that helps maintain the integrity of your microfiber products. So you can always clean with confidence.

# MORE SOLUTIONS FROM ARAMARK

MicroVantage is just one facet of the innovative solutions we offer for your facility. Bundling our microfiber program with our uniform, mats and linen services can maximize value and safety while promoting a more professional image for your healthcare organization.



#### **Healthcare Uniforms**

Protective garments, scrubs, lab coats and patient apparel to help reduce infection transmission among staff and patients.



#### **Towel Services**

Durable options for a range of surgical, clinical and patients' uses.



#### scrubBank™ Automated Scrub Management

Managed and stocked by us, scrubBank™ dispenses high-quality, clean scrubs to authorized employees in just seconds.



#### Linen Services<sup>4</sup>

Our full line of sheets, blankets, pillows and underpads provides the optimal blend of value, durability and comfort.



#### Floor Mats

All of our rental floor mats comply with the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Our National Floor Safety Institute (NFSI)-certified Steady Step™ mats also help promote safety and reduce microbe-laden dust.



#### **Restroom Supply Services**

Touch-free sanitizers to reduce the risk of cross-contamination, plus a range of other high-quality hand care, paper, scent and sanitation options.

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### CHOOSE ARAMARK AND PARTNER WITH A LEADER.

Unsurpassed service and infection prevention practices are just some of the advantages of partnering with Aramark.

Call 800-ARAMARK (272-6275) or visit aramarkuniform.com/healthcare to learn more.

#### Advancing Clean Through Science.

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<sup>2</sup>Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Using Microfiber Mops in Hospitals. Environmental Best Practices for Health Care Facilities., November 2002.

<sup>3</sup>Aramark's wash formulation meets EPA requirements for laundry sanitizing and provides a 99.9% reduction of the following organisms during the wash cycle: Pseudomonas aeruginosa, Klebsiella pneumoniae, Staphylococcus aureus and Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA). Sanitized products are only provided to customers of Aramark who require and request their products be processed as containing bloodborne pathogens.

<sup>4</sup>Available in select areas.

