COVID-19
Disinfecting Your Home If Someone Is Sick

Clean:
- Wear disposable gloves to clean and disinfect.
- Clean surfaces using soap and water. Practice routine cleaning of frequently touched surfaces such as tables, doorknobs, light switches, countertops, handles, desks, phones, keyboards, toilets, faucets, sinks, etc.

Disinfect:
- Use diluted household bleach solutions when appropriate. Check to ensure the product is not past its expiration date. Unexpired household bleach will be effective against coronaviruses when properly diluted.
- Alcohol solutions with at least 70% alcohol or other household cleaners and disinfectants: Clean the area or item with soap and water or another detergent if it is dirty. Then, use a household disinfectant.

Laundry:
- Dirty laundry from an ill person can be washed with other people’s items. Wear disposable gloves. Wash hands with soap and water as soon as you remove the gloves.
- Do not shake dirty laundry. Launder items according to the manufacturer’s instructions. Use the warmest appropriate water setting and dry items completely.

Other Tips for Home Safety:
- Clean surfaces with soap & water. Then, disinfect.
- Wash your hands often with soap & water for 20 seconds.
- Stay separated when eating. The ill person should be fed in their room if possible. Wash dishes and utensils in hot soapy water with gloves.
- Use a dedicated, lined trash can for the ill person. Use gloves to remove and dispose of trash. Wash hands afterwards.