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Cleaning Up Confusion About Bleach—Chemistry, Efficacy and Practical Applications in Healthcare Settings

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Synopsis:

Although Sodium Hypochlorite (AKA bleach) is an effective and commonly used disinfectant, there are widely publicized questions about the science and safety associated with using bleach for cleaning and disinfecting in both homes and institutions. This session will focus on summarizing scientific evidence surrounding common concerns about bleach.

Learning Objectives:

- 1. Understand the science and technology behind bleach cleaning and disinfectant products.
- 2. Examine the facts related to bleach usage and safety.
- Learn about bleach's antimicrobial mechanism of action and how it has been used safely in both healthcare settings and in the community to prevent the transmission of disease-causing pathogens.

Presenter:

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