

Microfiber Cleaning Solutions for healthcare facilities



Products, hygienic laundering, and replenishment services

Help improve infection control efforts with innovative microfiber technology.

Microfiber **mops**, **dusters**, and **wipers** from UniFirst are revolutionizing the way hard surfaces are cleaned by providing a more effective alternative to traditional methods. Microfiber holds six times its weight in water, making it more absorbent than conventional cleaning products. Its positively charged fibers attract and hold dust like a magnet, allowing them to capture even the smallest of dust particles and germs. Microfiber products can help your infection control efforts¹ by collecting and removing dirt and bacteria from your healthcare facility.



Microfiber

- Lifts and traps dirt and moisture
- Surface is clean, dry, and polished

VS.



Cotton Fiber

- Only pushes dirt and moisture
- Surface remains dirty and wet

In tests published by the EPA, microfiber cleaning products were proven to remove up to 98% of bacteria and 93% of viruses from surfaces using only water (no chemicals).²

Get better results with UniFirst microfiber.

Surface cleaning and dusting

- All-purpose cleaning cloths
- Glass and mirror cleaning cloths
- General purpose cleaning/dusting mitts
- “High dusters” for overhead cleaning

Floor Cleaning

- “Wet” and “dry” mop pads
- HYSORB disposable mop options for large spills and cleaning in acute care areas.
- We carry lightweight, ergonomic handles with 360° swivel, mop buckets, frames, and required hardware.



¹ Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO) Environment of Care Standards.

² United States Environmental Protection Agency. *Environmental Best Practices for Health Care Facilities: Using Microfiber Mops in Hospitals.*

The smart choice for healthcare.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) reports that up to one-third of the infections acquired by 2 million hospital patients treated each year are preventable. According to the *American Journal of Infection Control*, microfiber demonstrates “superior microbial removal” compared to conventional products. When used properly, our microfiber products help control infection, boost worker productivity, and lower your costs. Our microfiber systems are also proven to minimize cross-contamination during janitorial tasks.

- Reduce chemical usage up to 95%²
- Reduce water usage up to 95%³
- Reduce solid waste (products are reusable)
- Reduce cleaning time⁴
- Decrease slip and falls (less liquids on floors)
- Decrease injuries related to mop use⁵
- Help earn “green” environmental certification points such as LEED*



You'll always have what you need when you need it.

With regularly scheduled service, all of your soiled microfiber cleaning products are picked up for hygienic laundering, with clean ones delivered in their place. We maintain your inventory and even replace any missing or worn out products.

What you get:

- Easier, more efficient cleaning
- No upfront investment
- Lower annual costs
- Infection and bacteria control
- Regularly scheduled pickup and delivery
- Professional hygienic laundering
- Inventory management and adjustments as needed
- Free training and education
- Products always on hand and available



³ Healthcare Purchasing News (hponline.com). “Should you microfiber?”

⁴ Sustainable Hospitals Project (sustainablehospitals.org). “Are Microfiber Mops Beneficial to Hospitals?”

⁵ Study by the UCAl Davis Medical Center (cited in 1US EPA).

*Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design

Achieve a healthier environment and reduce overall costs with a UniFirst microfiber service program.

A recent report on cost data for hospital-acquired infections at 165 general acute care hospitals in Pennsylvania revealed that, on average, hospital acquired infections increased charges by \$67,907 per case and hospitals were only reimbursed for 27% of those charges.⁶ UniFirst microfiber service programs help eliminate harmful bacteria and viruses from patient, staff, and common areas, and other surfaces in your facility.

⁶ Pennsylvania Health Care Cost Containment Council, "Hospital-acquired Infections in Pennsylvania," January 2009, www.phc4.org.

Ask your UniFirst representative about UniFirst's other specialized healthcare services and facility service products.

