

Improve Patient Safety with HCSC Linen Service's Privacy Curtain Program

Microbial contamination of hospital privacy curtains has been demonstrated in several studies to be rapid and increasing over time resulting in an increased risk for healthcare associated infections. A study presented at the 2018 APIC Conference concluded that privacy curtains should be removed and replaced by clean curtains every three weeks. Regulatory agencies are beginning to include privacy curtains as part of their inspection process.

HCSC Privacy Curtain Program

HCSC offers an effective curtain laundering program to support your Infection Prevention efforts. Your reusable privacy curtains are high touch areas that should be laundered frequently. Our laundering process disinfects your privacy curtains in HLAC certified plants.



To facilitate this, under the HCSC Privacy Curtain Program:

- The healthcare facility's curtains are labeled by HCSC with a bar code.
- Scanned bar codes will help provide documented history as to when privacy curtains were laundered, affording critical validation that your facility is compliant.
- After processing, each curtain is scanned and either placed on a hanger or folded and covered in protective plastic for storage.

HCSC's Privacy Curtain Program offers your facility an improved inventory control system for this important asset.

To learn more about this program, contact your HCSC Account Representative.

