Shard surfaces to clean to help prevent coronavirus spread

Based on what we know about the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19), cleaning of hard surfaces followed by disinfecting can help limit the spread of the virus in the household.



Difference between Cleaning and Disinfecting:

- Cleaning Uses soap or detergents and water to remove, but not kill, germs and dirt from surfaces. It lowers the number of viruses which helps lower the risk of spreading infection.
- **Disinfecting** Uses chemicals to kill germs on surfaces after cleaning to further lower the risk of spreading infection.

Here are 8 hard surfaces in your household to clean and disinfect regularly:



Light switches



Remote controls



Desks



Hard-backed chairs



Tables & countertops



Doorknobs and handles



Sinks and faucets



Toilets

For more guidelines on cleaning and disinfecting, including for households with someone in isolation because of suspected or confirmed COVID-19, visit www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prepare/cleaning-disinfection.html.