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dear peg. hi. hope you are still well. our units here are being poisoned by this yellow disinfectant spray they are spraying all over the unit, including in the cafeteria before and while we are eating. this stuff is not suppose to be sprayed around people, its never suppose to be sprayed around food and its not suppose to be breathed in, however its sprayed so much we can't get away from it, I've breathed in a lot of this stuff and it is fucking up my lungs. I can taste it in the back of my throat. I caught a couple of good blasts of this stuff in the cafeteria and day room and it made my lungs burn, cough and hyper salivate, and when I talked to nurse. at hsu about this they said they couldn't really do anything about it, apparently, my source on this chemical tells me its suppose to be used with protection gear, including face mask, and never around people, but the facility management people are requiring

its use because it is less expensive than the disinfectant that is suppose to be used. what's crazy is that its not even being used the way its suppose to be used, which is to let it sit for some minutes before wiping it up, instead, its being wiped immediately, so people are not only being poisoned, they are being poisoned for nothing. it gets worse, the stuff causes lung damage, and it is people with lung damage who are most likely to die from covid19.

Not only is it being used incorrectly, it is not being wiped off afterward with clean water and rag. The residue of the chemical is not meant to remain on the surface it is used on. Under normal use conditions, this stuff can stay in the air for up to two hours, because its being stayed as a mist and the droplets remain airborne. these are not normal conditions however, and this stuff is being sprayed around the unit a dozen or more times a day. there is literally never a time when this stuff is not floating around the air, staff keep the unit ceiling fans running while the stuff is being sprayed as well as 24 hours a day, so it just keeps these spray droplets floating around. I think its called "One-step disinfectant - cleaner - fungicide - viriscide - deodorizer.

The labeling suggests that its meant to be used in rest rooms, and toilet areas, behind and under sinks and counters, garbage cans and garbage storage areas and other areas where bacterial growth can cause moldaloders(?). It states that it is a violation to use this product inconsistent with its labeling.

It states that treated surfaces must remain wet for the contact time indicated at a minimum, this means anywhere between three and ten minutes!!!.According to what I am reading , the only thing it kills in less time is the AIDS virus and Influenza virus type A / Hong Cong. there is a number at the bottom of the page 1-800-352-5326. This stuff comes here in a dark yellow concentrate which is packaged in a plastic bag about a quart in size.

its suppose to be mixed with hard water at a dilution ratio of ½ounce to one ounce chemical per gallon of water, only in situations of heavy soiling is it recommended need to go as high as two ounces per gallon of water. the concern is that it is being mixed in much higher concentrations than is indicated by the manufacturer. there is no staff supervision of this, nor are inmate workers being provided with a measuring utensil marked at half ounce, one ounce and two ounce intervals to properly measure this stuff.

they are left to guess and when inmates are allowed to do this they typically use far more of something than necessary, because there is a belief that more is better. This is not the case here. in this case, more is very very dangerous. I can feel that spray affecting my eyes as well as my lungs.

I have asked if I can eat in my cell, to try and avoid this spray, however, was told, " inmates aren't allowed to eat in their cells." its impossible to maintain proper social distancing in the unit cafeterias during meals. Please call this company for me peg and describe this chemical to them and get the real info to me on how dangerous this stuff is to use around people and food, and under the conditions I described to you. thank u peg. I love u. DD.