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CC: ASPA-Deputies [REDACTED]; Stecker, Judy (OS/IOS) [REDACTED]; Caputo, Michael (HHS/ASPA) [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: MMWR Early Release on "Knowledge and Practices Regarding Safe Household Cleaning and Disinfection for COVID-19 Prevention — United States, May 2020"

Hi Bill, this is very helpful, ok, got it now. Yikes.

I was mistaken for I thought that it is a last chance before it goes out and a means to strengthen any message. Sorry then for my edits and it makes sense now.

All that to say, it is timely and well written.

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Hi Paul,

The MMWR is a peer-reviewed journal no different than, say, JAMA or NEJM, and, like those journals, the text of articles is negotiated between the submitting authors and the MMWR editorial team. The article has already been published and been distributed. ASPA is not a science or medical program office and, as matter of long-standing policy, we do not engage in clearing scientific articles, as that arena needs to remain an independent process. All that being said, if you

feel there is something significant enough in an article that needs to be addressed post publication, then you may wish to reach out to the MMWR editors to raise your concerns.

Hope that's helpful information and helps explain the process.

Bill

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 5, 2020, at 4:11 PM, Alexander, Paul (HHS/ASPA) (VOL) [REDACTED] wrote:

This is a well written document and the limitation section pointed out the challenges with survey type data. This makes the paper rigorous.

That said, I ask you Bill if you can ensure that 2 lines be inserted in this document as it is often overlooked:

- 1) It is not enough to say that sanitizers must be kept out of the reach of children. It is just as important to state that children should ONLY use sanitizers under adult supervision. So the statement should read "Disinfectants and hand sanitizers must be kept out of the reach of children and used by children only under adult supervision".
- 2) "Once a container of sanitizer is finished, do not decant new sanitizer into the container. This will ensure that there is no cross-contamination in the event that the sanitizer is contaminator".

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From: [REDACTED] (CDC) <[REDACTED]>

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To: [REDACTED] (CDC) <[REDACTED]>

Subject: MMWR Early Release on "Knowledge and Practices Regarding Safe Household Cleaning and Disinfection for COVID-19 Prevention — United States, May 2020"

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"Knowledge and Practices Regarding Safe Household Cleaning and Disinfection for COVID-19 Prevention — United States, May 2020"

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Thank you,

CDC News Media Branch
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