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RE: Dr. Brown's Medical Letter to Support Hospital\_Clinical Environment Guidelines

To Whom it May Concern,

In reference to the manufacturer's suggested cleaning guidelines for Dr. Brown's® Medical products, please note a difference in suggested cleaning requirements when used in a hospital or clinical environment.

Handi-Craft Company, the manufacturer of the Dr. Brown's® products, has suggested cleaning guidelines for products purchased in retail, and intended for home use, that include boiling for 5 mins prior to first use. It is understood this is not a practical cleaning option for hospital use, therefore an equally suitable cleaning option for hospital use has been included in the attached document.

Dr. Brown's® Zero-Resistance™ Bottle Systems, including the nipple, are reusable and not intended as a disposable product. The Dr. Brown's Medical team has taken into consideration the hospital/clinical environment and the ability to provide adequate cleaning of the Dr. Brown's® products prior to first use and/or after each use. In an effort to provide adequate cleaning guidelines based on suggestions by the American Dietetic Association<sup>1</sup>, **reusable feeding products should be cleaned with soap and water and sanitized prior to first use**; cleaned with soap and water immediately after each use; allowed to air dry; and recommended to sanitize/sterilize at least once every 24 hours. **ALL recommendations provided in these documents, are intended to be used as a guideline for supporting individual hospital cleaning requirements and/or infection control policies and protocols.**

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to share this information with you. We are very proud of our products and look forward to conducting business with you and your facility.

Sincerely,

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*The shared goal and responsibility of each Handi-Craft employee is to understand customers' needs and by continuously improving our processes and performance, to meet or exceed their expectations, with high quality, innovative products and services.*

<sup>1</sup>Pediatric Nutrition Practice Group. (2019). Infant and pediatric feedings: Guidelines for preparation of human milk and formula in health care facilities (C. Steele & E. Collins, Eds.; 3rd ed.). American Dietetic Association.