



Bastion Pacific introduces glove solution for infection control

Cross contamination is a growing concern in most working environments where glove use and adherence to hand hygiene policies are required, notes global company Bastion Pacific.

Indeed, international studies have shown that gloves and traditional glove boxes can be a vehicle for contamination, and despite the introduction of hand washing initiatives, the level of compliance in most environments is not 100 per cent.

Recent studies have also found that many types of bacteria exist in glove boxes, particularly around the box opening. In a healthcare environment, this can cause transfer contamination to patients, resulting in wound infections and other healthcare associated infections (HAI). This issue is an enormous cost to Australia's healthcare system, with over 180,000 patients suffering each year from HAIs, many resulting in death.

To prevent the spread of pathogens between healthcare workers and patients, Bastion Pacific designed a simple and effective infection control solution called the Bastion Progenics cuff first glove dispensing system.

"The Bastion Progenics cuff first glove dispensing system is the breakthrough the medical and food industry have been waiting for as a solution to cross contamination and waste issues," said the company.

"The system dispenses only one glove at a time, cuff first, which eliminates touching the glove's finger and palm areas."

The system is designed in such a way so the opening of the box is not touched, meaning bacterial contamination doesn't come in contact with the box openings. This results in an uncontaminated and clean glove being dispensed every time. Unused gloves cannot be reinserted into the box, further reducing the risk of contamination.

The Bastion Progenics system also can provide hygiene and contamination reduction solutions to the food industry. Food poisoning affects around five million Australians each year, and the cause of many of these cases is traced back to poor hand hygiene and cross contamination.

The glove dispensing system includes five HACCP approved colours; clear, blue, red, green and yellow. This offers further benefits in enabling the provision of colour coded zones where each division or application uses a different colour to prevent contamination between raw food areas, cooked food areas, cleaners etc.

The solution for prevention is simple with this easy to use glove dispensing system which reduces the risk of cross contamination by 96 per cent, glove waste by 30 per cent and cardboard packaging waste by up to 50 per cent.

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While some may argue that money leaves Australian shores through the purchasing of imported products, the reality is that Australia no longer manufactures products like it used to, observes Australian distributor Cleanstar.

"However, when selling imported products locally, the money received stays in Australia and helps support Australian workers," said the company.

Cleanstar is one of Australia's leading wholesale distributors of vacuum cleaners and cleaning equipment that supports other independent Australian businesses. Indeed, most of the direct competition the family-owned company faces include large scale corporate entities or public companies with international head offices.

"Cleanstar's support has been great, especially when we moved shop," said Victorian Superior Cleaning Supplies spokesperson Loretta.

"The Cleanstar staff helped us set up our showroom with a great window display."

With over 100 years of combined industry experience, Cleanstar understands the importance of building a good reputation and doing the right thing for its customers. That's why the company has provided competitive pricing and quality products to the Australian cleaning and floor care industry for 10 years.

"Garth and Lisa are great devotees of our industry, dedicating time not only in their business but also increasing industry knowledge," said Karen, spokesperson for Magic Cleaning Supplies.

"With Cleanstar, clients are guaranteed that the bulk of their money is staying right here in Australia."

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