

Hospitality Exposure to Drug Manufacturing and Use

The purpose of this notice is to review information on methamphetamine (meth) production or use, so that you may prevent or safely respond to meth use/production at your facility. Hotel rooms are at a unique risk to become makeshift drug labs.

If you suspect meth has been used or produced in a room, **contact your local authorities immediately**. Do not under any circumstances attempt to confront a guest or investigate a potentially hazardous or contaminated room.

Warning Signs

- Strong chemical-like odors
- Signs of drug use or paraphernalia
- Chemical stains on toilets, sinks, or bathtubs
- Trash cans containing broken flasks, beakers, or tubing
- Guests who exhibit suspicious behavior



Some Chemicals Involved:

- Acetone/nail polish remover
- Rubbing/isopropyl alcohol
- Fertilizer
- Gasoline
- Brake cleaner
- Cold medicine (ephedrine)
- Drain cleaner (sulfuric acid)
- Hydrochloric acid (pool supply)
- Iodine (flakes or crystal)
- Paint thinner
- Lithium (batteries)

Some Equipment Involved:

- Aluminum foil
- Blenders
- Dirty orange or brown stained rags
- Duct tape
- Funnels
- Ice chests
- Laboratory or tempered glassware
- Jugs and bottles
- Rubber tubing
- Propane cylinders
- Strainers



Benefits of preventing meth production and use include: reduced risk and improved safety for guests and employees, decreased risk and liability, and improved overall guest experience. If authorities confirm meth may have been produced or used in a room, call FACS to initiate a proper environmental cleanup.

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