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Sani-Bag+® Combats Spread of *C. difficile*

INDIANAPOLIS – JUNE 8, 2009/PRESS RELEASE/– According to APIC, the Association for Professionals in Infection Control and Epidemiology, the economic consequences related to treating *Clostridium difficile* (*C. difficile*) are 3.2 billion dollars annually. Not only does *C. difficile* take a financial toll, but it also results in lives lost. An APIC study states that up to 6.1% of *C. difficile* cases result in death. How can healthcare providers prevent the spread of *C. difficile*? The [Sani-Bag+®](#) Sanitary Commode Liner offers an alternative way to manage human waste that prevents the spread of infection.

The spores produced by *C. difficile* bacteria can live on surfaces for months. In a hospital setting, spores can be transferred to anyone who comes into contact with contaminated items (such as bedrails and commodes) or medical devices (such as blood pressure cuffs and stethoscopes). The Sani-Bag+ limits contact with the infection by containing it within the bedpan or commode pail.

The Sani-Bag+ saves healthcare providers money by preventing the added costs associated with resistant infections in addition to saving staff valuable time that would go toward cleaning bedpans and commodes. The biodegradable Sani-Bag+ commode and bedpan liner contains a waste treatment powder that treats up to 32 ounces of waste, and quickly gels to prevent spillage. The odor neutralizer controls odor and allows for overnight or multiple uses. After use, roll the top of the bag, close it with the adhesive seal, and dispose of it in the same manner as an adult diaper. DQE offers a variety of [infection control](#) products and samples of the Sani-Bag+ at www.dqeready.com/infectioncontrol.

About DQE

DQE, Inc. provides practical products and expert support that improves the safety and readiness of the response and healthcare community. Headquartered in Indianapolis, Indiana, DQE proudly celebrates 19 years of service. For additional information and to learn more about DQE and its family of products, visit www.dqeready.com.

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