Did you know...

- An adult bed bug can survive up to ten months without feeding, and has a lifespan between five months and one year.
- A single bed bug can lay as many as 500 eggs in one lifetime.
- Bed bug bites are typically painless and rarely awaken a sleeping person.
- Bed bugs hide in secluded places for up to 10 days after feeding.

What are bed bugs?

- Nocturnal human parasites that have made a big resurgence in the last decade due to increased international travel, pesticide resistance and lack of awareness.
- Frequently introduced in both Acute Care and Long-Term Care facilities across the United States.
- Considered a public health pest by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) but are not known to transmit or spread disease.
- Can cause insomnia, fatigue, distress, depression and anxiety for some people.
- Hitchhikers that either crawl or are transferred on personal belongings or furniture.
- Blood feeders that typically feed at night on exposed skin, usually once per week for five to ten minutes.
- Usually found in and around beds and frame of beds or in furniture, wheelchairs, lamps, picture frames, curtains, and even under switch plates and carpet edges.

Bed bug life stages

- Bed Bug Egg
- Bed Bug Nymph
- Adult Bed Bug

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HELP PROTECT YOUR HEALTHCARE FACILITY FROM BED BUGS

Ecolab combines expert Service Specialists with best-in-class protocols and technology to help ensure infestations are caught early and eliminated quickly while minimizing room downtime.

Information

Tools to help your staff:
- Educational material to help train your staff on how to identify bed bug activity
- Recommended response protocols when bed bug activity is suspected

Proven Science

Solutions that help eliminate all life stages
- Multifaceted protocols that include a combination of inspection and treatment
- Specific products targeting bed bug eggs

Minimize costs with Thermal Enclosure™
- Reduce furniture replacement costs
- Minimize room downtime

Patent pending protocols developed specifically for Healthcare
- Saves you time and money by maximizing efficiency and reducing the number of service visits
- Rooms can be reopened in 24 hours or less

What are bed bugs?
Bed bugs are blood-feeding parasites.

Bed bugs in mattress seams.
They can be found any time of year, and will often go unnoticed until the population size is large. They are a light tan color, but turn dark reddish when engorged with blood. After many years of virtual eradication, the bed bug is back and showing up not only in hotels and resorts, but in theaters, restaurants, retail stores, healthcare facilities, dormitories, military facilities and more. Though these blood-feeding insects aren’t known to spread disease, as with any pest, they can cause distress, depression and anxiety. They can be found any time of year, and will often go unnoticed until the population size is large. They are a light tan color, but turn dark reddish when engorged with blood. After many years of virtual eradication, the bed bug is back and showing up not only in hotels and resorts, but in theaters, restaurants, retail stores, healthcare facilities, dormitories, military facilities and more.

What signs should you look for?

- Eggs
- Bloodstains on the bed sheet
- Small brown insects
- Bed bug fecal droppings

What should you do if you suspect activity?

1. Do not remove anything from the room/area and prevent access to it.
2. Collect a sample specimen in a sealed container for professional identification.
3. Provide individual(s) with temporary or alternative garments to wear on-site.
4. Contact your supervisor and professional treatment provider.
5. Contact Ecolab at 1 800 325 1671

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