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Then WHY do you do this?





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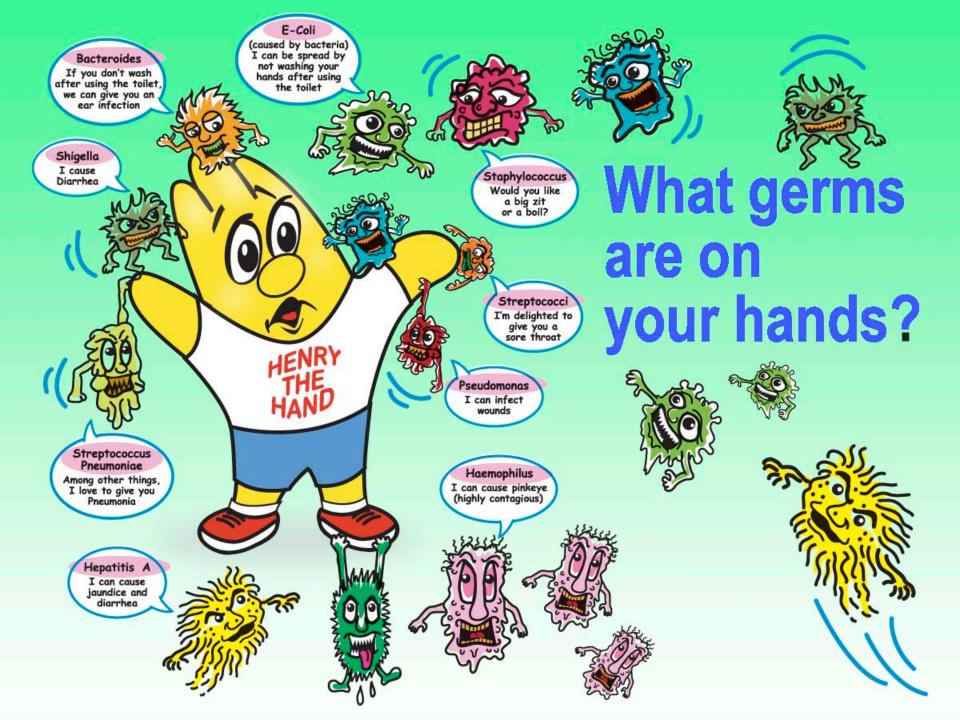
Imagine NEVER being sick again?





Yes, Humans are the Incubator for any Pandemic

 Remember: as long as humans do not introduce the H1N1 (or other virus or bacteria) into their mucus membranes, the disease will not spread throughout the human population.





90% of surfaces in the home or office environment are contaminated within 24 hours of a family member or co-worker developing an illness

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 You are safe in a room full of sick people if you never put your fingers in your eyes, nose or mouth (mucus membranes).



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 Droplets from the nose and mouth are the vehicle for aerosol transmission; germs travel 3 feet (the distance suggested by the federal government as "social distancing"). **This Campaign** will help your Community reduce the incidence of seasonal infectious disease!



The 4 Principles of Hand Awareness



- 1. Wash your hands when they are dirty and before eating.
- 2. Do not cough into your hands.
- 3. Do not sneeze into your hands.
- 4. Above all, do not put your fingers into your eyes, nose or mouth.

^{*}Endorsed by the AMA and the AAFP (2001)

^{*}referred to as individual ideas for flu prevention by CDC, but not packaged as an integrated concept.

Hand Awareness

 Knowing where your hands are and what they are doing AT ALL TIMES!



Hand Awareness

 The integration of Hand Hygiene, Respiratory Etiquette and cross contamination awareness



Respiratory Etiquette



Hand Hygiene





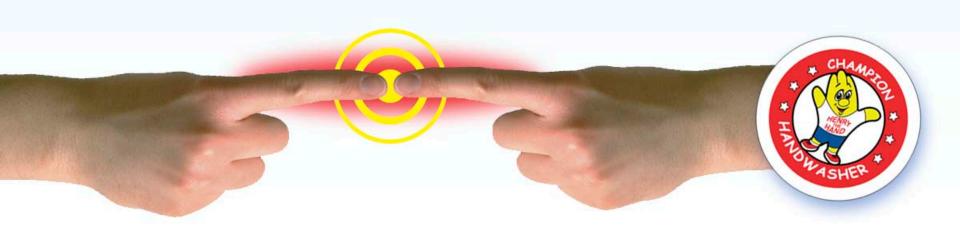
The Hand is quicker than the eye!

Unfortunately the single act of handwashing or sanitizing alone does not prevent cross contamination (spread of infection).



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People "unknowingly" touch a contaminated surface, then transmit the organism to another surface, themselves or a patient due to "unconscious" personal habits.





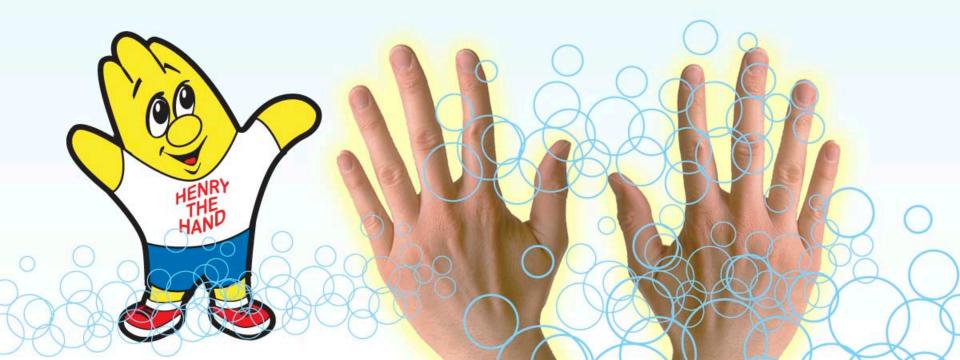
 Adhering to the 4 Principles of Hand **Awareness** would prevent 36,000 deaths from flu and flu-like illness, 5,000 food borne deaths and significantly reduce the 90,000 estimated HAI deaths per year.

Which Behaviors are we talking about?

- Nose picking and rubbing
- Eye rubbing
- Nail biting, finger licking, etc.
- Curtailing these habits,
 "Is a simple solution to a complex problem"

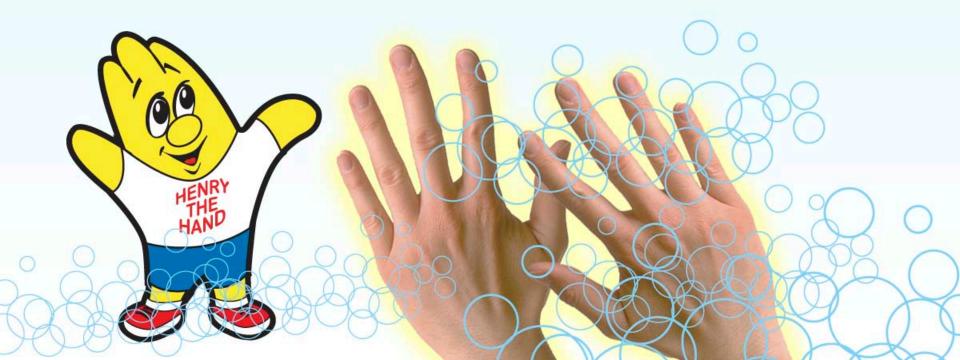
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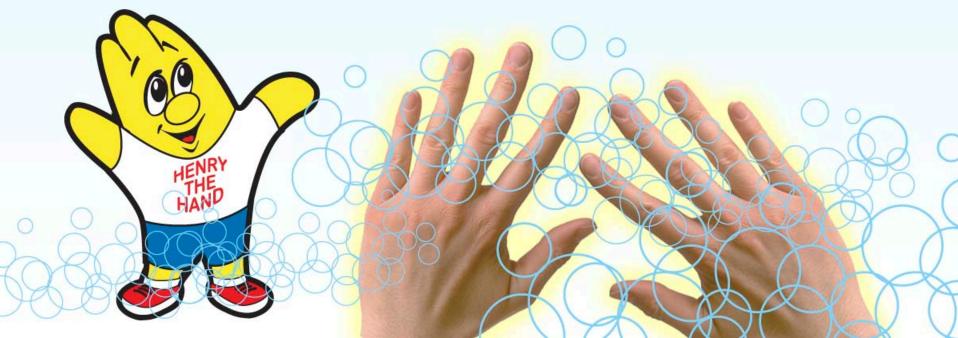
"Decontaminating" upon leaving a public/private facility.

Wash, wipe or sanitize your hands
 upon leaving the facility if you do not want to carry any disease out of the facility.



"Decontaminating" upon entering your home.

 Wash your hands upon entering your home to minimize the chance of bringing in disease or taking it out when family members are ill.



So How do People change habits?



We must ACT our way into a better behavior, rather than think our way into a new way of acting We have had the knowledge that our Hands ARE the major vector for transmission of disease for centuries.



Help people change their habits

Help them stop the health risk behavior:
 i.e. touching (contaminating) their eyes,
 nose or mouth (mucus membranes).



This is a major TASK to accomplish! But it would be worth it!



Henry the Hand Champion Handwasher Campaign

Imagine if we **ALL** participated in a community wide Campaign through our Schools, Work and Religious institutions!



- We would Dramatically reduce the incidence of and the transmission of infectious disease.
- Imagine NEVER being sick again from a respiratory or gastro-intestinal disease!



Imagine the positive impact in each of our communities working together to prevent a Pandemic!

The decision is in YOUR hands!







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Champion Handwasher School Kit





Leave the Germs Here! Give them a WASH!



Henry the Hand's 4 Principles of Hand Awareness:

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