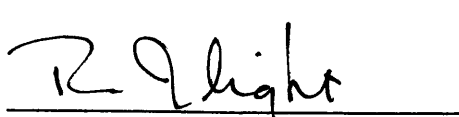


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Building Code Edition:	BC Building Code 2006	
Subject:	Cleanouts in health care facilities	
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Building Code Reference(s):	7.4.7.4. (5)	
Question: Are all cleanouts for drainage systems located in health care facilities including those serving sinks in lunch rooms and public area washrooms required to be located a minimum of 150 mm above the flood level rim of the fixture?		
Interpretation: No Sentence 7.4.7.4. (5) Indicates that cleanouts are only required to be at 150 mm above the flood level rim of the fixture served where "contamination by body fluids is likely" such as in mortuaries, laboratories, or other similar occupancies. It is determined that the concern is with body fluids that could be contaminated by contagious disease and not those wastes from other sanitary plumbing fixtures. Direct interconnection with high risk fixtures such as back to back installations of lunch room sink and lab sink would require the cleanouts to be located in accordance with 7.4.7.4. (5).		
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R. J. Light, Committee Chair		
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