

HAI/AR Program Update

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HAI/AR Update Agenda:

- ▶ **Administrative Updates**
- ▶ **Legislative Updates**
- ▶ **HAI/AR Activities**
 - Investigations
 - ICARs
 - Reports
 - Building ICP Capacity
 - Project Firstline Trainings



Administrative - Staffing

- ▶ HAI Program Manager Position
 - Carly Zimmermann – *last day 3/31*
- ▶ HAI Health Educator
 - Darlene Cray
- ▶ CDC Public Health Associate
 - Annika Williams
- ▶ AR Specialist
 - Trevor Shreeve – *starting 3/25*

- ▶ HAI Epidemiologist – *Vacant*
- ▶ HAI Prevention Specialist – *Vacant*



Legislative Update

- ▶ Central Line Insertion Practices (CLIP) – is no longer reportable!



- ▶ Surgical Care Improvement Project (SCIP) – is still in process to be removed

Investigations

- ▶ 2022 – As of 3/15/22
 - ▶ 4 HAI/AR Investigations Completed in Total
 - ▶ 1 Infection Control Breach
 - ▶ 1 Drug Diversion
 - ▶ 2 CP-CREs

Infection Control Assessments

Currently prioritizing response ICARs

- ▶ Virtual ICARs with CDC in long term care facilities, COVID-19 specific

CDC ICAR Tools (Non-COVID)

- ▶ Acute Care Hospitals
- ▶ Long Term Care Facilities
- ▶ Outpatient Settings
- ▶ Hemodialysis Facilities

ICAR Trends

- ▶ Common strengths:
 - Staff are trained and can demonstrate proper donning and doffing procedures
 - Hand Hygiene
 - Contact Time
 - Screening visitors and staff
 - COVID-19 Testing

ICAR Trends

- ▶ Common areas of improvement:
 - Lack of staffing
 - Not all necessary staff are fit tested to wear N95s
 - Including a compliance audit with PPE, hand hygiene, environmental cleaning.
 - Staffing knowing their role involved in environmental cleaning
 - Easy identification of clean and dirty equipment
 - Terminal Cleaning Checklists

Reports

- ▶ **Healthcare Worker Influenza Vaccination Data**
 - Request in early April
- ▶ **2021 Statewide Antibigram**
 - Data due April 29th 2022
- ▶ **Ambulatory Surgery Centers**
 - Quarter 1 data (Jan 1st to Mar 31st) due on or before May 30th.
 - Quarter 2 data (Apr 1st to Jun 30th) due on or before Aug 29th.
 - Quarter 3 data (Jul 1st to Sep 30th) due on or before Nov 29th.
 - Quarter 4 data (Oct 1st to Dec 31st) due on or before Mar 1st.

HAI Annual Reconciliation Reports

COMING
SOON!

Building LTCF ICP Capacity

- ▶ Certification in Infection Control
 - Test reimbursement
 - Study materials
- ▶ Glow Germ Kits
 - Supplies
 - Training/Tips for use
- ▶ N95 Fit Testing
 - Supplies
 - Training
 - Medical Evaluation forms



Project Firstline Trainings

- ▶ Train the Trainer Sessions
 - Review CDC PFL training materials
 - Plan your next infection prevention and control training
 - Network

In person: Tuesday March 22nd 9-11am and 1-3pm
29 Hazen Drive Concord, NH

Virtual: 3/24, 3/29, 3/31, & 4/5

[Project Firstline Train-the-Trainer Event Registration](#)

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Thank you!