Supplementary Material.

Infection prevention program questionnaire

Before beginning the questionnaire, please take a moment to read the following clarifications.

- 1. This questionnaire covers topics that pertain to both clinical knowledge and infection control. Therefore, it is best to have a staff member with knowledge of both areas on hand to complete this questionnaire.
- 2. Shared data WILL NOT include identifiers. All facility and individual data are confidential
- 3. This is not the Nursing Home Survey on Patient Safety (NHSOPS)

	Demographics
Your Information	
Name:	
E-mail:	
Credentials:	
Facility information	
1. State:	
2. Facility/CLC name:	

3. Select your lead organization:

- O Advancing Excellence
- O Alabama Quality Assurance Foundation
- O Arizona Health and Hospital Association
- O CAHF (California Association of Health Facilities)
- O Foundation for Healthy Communities (NH)
- O Genesis HealthCare
- O Grace Living Centers (OK)
- O Healthcare Association of New York State
- O Healthcentric Advisors (RI)
- O HealthInsight (NV, NM, UT)
- O Information & Quality Healthcare (MS)
- O The Joint Commission
- O Louisiana eQHealth Solutions, Inc.
- O Massachusetts Senior Care Association
- O Minnesota Hospital Association
- O Missouri Hospital Association
- O New Jersey Hospital Association

- O North Dakota Quality Health Care Association
- O Oregon Patient Safety Commission
- O Pennsylvania Patient Safety Authority
- Presbyterian Manors of Mid-America (KS & MO)
- O Professional Nursing Solutions, LLC (AR)
- O Qualidigm (CT)
- O Quality Health Associates of North Dakota
- O South Carolina Hospital Association
- O South Dakota Association of Healthcare Organizations
- O South Florida Hospital & Healthcare Association
- O Spectrum Health (MI)
- O Telligen (IL & IA)
- O Tennessee Healthcare Association
- O Veteran's Health Administration
- O Other (Please Specify)

4. Please select your primary role in the facility/CLC (select only one):

- O Facility administrator
- O Assistant Director of Nursing (ADON)
- O Director of Nursing (DON)
- O Staff development/education
- Infection prevention/control program coordinator (non-VHA only)

- Infection prevention/control program managed by a dedicated CLC coordinator (VHA only)
- Infection prevention/control program managed as part of/within the Acute Care infection control program (VHA only)
- O Quality manager
- O Other (Please specify)
- 5. It is important to have a back-up team lead to ensure success of this program. Please select primary role of the program team lead back-up in the facility/CLC (select only one):
 - O Facility administrator
 - O Assistant Director of Nursing (ADON)
 - O Director of Nursing (DON)
 - O Staff development/education
 - Infection prevention/control program coordinator (non-VHA only)
 - O Infection prevention/control program managed by a

dedicated CLC coordinator (VHA only)

- Infection prevention/control program managed as part of/within the Acute Care infection control program (VHA only)
- O Quality manager
- O No back-up identified
- O Other (Please specify)

6. Facility Ownership (Select all that apply)

- Government Department of Veterans Affairs VHA
- Government non VA
- **D** For profit
- □ Non profit
- Other (Specify)_____

7. Basic facility/CLC information:

Number of units: _____ (count of skilled nursing units in the facility/CLC)

- Number of sub-acute beds: _____ (count of short-term beds)
- Current number of residents: _____

8.	Indicate the current number of staff (ie. F Physicians:	TEs) in your facility/CLC:
	Licensed Practical Nurses (LPNs):	
	Certified Nursing Assistants (CNAs):	
9.	Which of the following resident services facility/CLC? (Check all that apply)	are currently being delivered in your
	24-hour a day on-site supervision by an RN	X-ray services only available on weekdays
	Access to laboratory services only available on weekdays	Access to laboratory services available on weekdays and
	Blood draws only available on weekdays	weekends Blood draws available on weekdays
	Central-line insertions	and weekends
	IV infusions using central or peripheral lines	Care for residents with dementia in specialized unit
	Management of residents on a	Glucose monitoring
	ventilator	Long-term custodial care
	Management of residents with a tracheostomy	Management of residents with a Foley catheter
	Skilled nursing/short-term(sub-	Respiratory therapy
	acute) rehabilitation	Whirlpool or therapeutic bathing
	☐ Wound care	X-ray services available on weekdays and weekends

Infection Prevention

10. How many full-time employees (FTEs) are currently dedicated to your facility/CLC's infection control program?

_____ FTEs

- 11. In your facility/CLC, what level of professional training does the main point of contact for infection prevention related issues have?
 - O Physician (MD)

- O Other (Please specify)
- O Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)
- O Registered Nurse (RN)

12. How many years of experience does the main point of contact for infection prevention-related issues have?

Number of years in that position in this facili	ty/CLC:
O Less than 1 year	O 5-10 years
O 1-3 years	O More than 10 years
O 3-5 years	
Number of years with infection prevention ex	xperience:
O Less than 1 year	O 5-10 years
O 1-3 years	O More than 10 years
O 3-5 years	
13. Has the main point of contact for infection p specific infection prevention training? (Selection Selection Selec	
Certified in Infection Control (CIC)	□ State or local training course
APIC EPI 101 or 201	□ Other (Please specify)
\Box No specific infection control training	
14. Are any of the activities listed below also are infection prevention-related issues? (Select	
Facility administration	Director of Nursing (DON)
Direct resident care	Resident assessment coordinator
Wound/treatment nurse	(RAC) N/A
Staff education/staff development	☐ Other (Please specify)
Quality manager	
Employee health Resident services and training	
15. On average, during a normal (40 hour) work	week, how many hours per week are

15. On average, during a normal (40 hour) work week, how many hours per week are spent performing all infection prevention-related activities?

_____ hours

O External consultants

related trainings

O Other (Please specify)

O There is no designated person to

provide infection prevention-

16. Who provides infection prevention-related training to the rest of the staff at your facility/CLC? (Check one answer)

- O The main point of contact for infection prevention-related activities
- O Medical Director
- O Director of Nursing (DON)
- O Education Coordinator
- 17. Is there a committee in your facility/CLC that reviews Healthcare Acquired Infections (HAIs) including CAUTI (e.g. reports, policies and procedures, etc.)?

	O Yes	O No
17.1.	If Yes, indicate the members represented in to (Select all that apply)	the committee:
	Environmental services	☐ Facility board members
	Medical director	Nursing administrators
	Nursing staff	Quality department
	Physician staff	Pharmacy department
	Unit managers or supervisors	Other (Please specify)
	Resident/Family Council member	

18. For each statement below, please select "YES" or "NO": "Our facility/CLC provides ..."

	Yes	No	Don't Know
a. Education to staff on the Science of Safety			
 Assessment of teamwork and safety culture (e.g. Safety Attitude Questionnaire, Nursing Home Survey on Patient Safety) 			
 Readily available supplies necessary for aseptic urinary catheter insertion (i.e. supplies are available on your unit/floor in an unlocked location) 			
d. Patient education material in a language other than English			

Catheter Management

19. Who inserts indwelling urinary catheters in your facility/CLC? (Select all that apply)

D Physicians (MD)

- Registered Nurse (RN)
- Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)
- Other (Please specify)

Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA)

20. For each item below, please check the answer that best applies on a scale from "Never" to "Always"

		Never	Rarely	Sometimes	Often	Always
a.	Urinary catheters used for management of incontinence					
b.	Urinary catheters removed within 24-48 hours of admission unless there are appropriate indications (e.g. HICPAC) for continued use					
C.	Alternatives to indwelling catheters (e.g. urinals, bedpans, bedside commodes, intermittent catheters, condom catheters) used when appropriate					
d.	Urinary catheters inserted using aseptic technique and sterile equipment					
e.	Portable bladder (scanner) ultrasound used to assess urine volume					
f.	Use of urinary drainage systems with pre-connected, sealed catheter-tubing junctions used					
g.	Catheters changed at routine, fixed intervals (e.g. every 30 days)					
h.	Systemic anti-microbial prophylaxis for urinary catheters used					
i.	Urinary drainage bags kept below level of bladder					
j.	Urinary catheters disconnected from collecting systems (e.g. irrigations, leg bag attachment)					
k.	Screening for asymptomatic bacteriuria (ASB) performed					
١.	Measuring adherence to proper aseptic insertion of urinary catheters					
m.	Measuring adherence to documentation of catheter insertion and removal dates					
n.	Measuring adherence to documentation of indication for urinary catheter					
0.	placement Measuring adherence to hand hygiene policies					

Surveillance

21. Is surveillance for CAUTI performed at your facility/CLC	21.	1. Is :	surveillance	for CAUTI	performed at	your facility/CLC
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O Yes

O No

21.1. If yes, where is surveillance data entered: (Select all that apply)

- ☐ MDS
- □ NHSN

Other (Please specify)

22. Do you know your facility/CLC's catheter-associated urinary tract infection rate?

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O No

23. For each statement below, please select YES or NO: "Our facility/CLC ..."

		Yes	No	Don't Know	N/A
a.	Collects CAUTI data using an Electronic Health Records (HER) or Electronic Medical Records (EMR) system				
b.	Keeps records of residents with healthcare-associated CAUTI in an electronic spreadsheet, database, logbook				
C.	Uses standard definitions to determine if a resident has CAUTI (McGeer criteria or CDC NHSN definitions)				
d.	Uses new antibiotic prescriptions to determine if a resident has CAUTI				
e.	Reviews provider notes to determine if a resident has CAUTI				
f.	Tracks rates of CAUTI over time to identify trends				
g.	Creates summary reports of healthcare associated CAUTIS				
h.	Shares CAUTI surveillance data with facility board members				
i.	Shares CAUTI surveillance data with facility leadership				
j.	Shares CAUTI surveillance data with facility managers				
k.	Shares CAUTI surveillance data with all facility nursing staff				
I.	Shares CAUTI surveillance data with residents and family members				

CAUTI Prevention

24. Are any quality improvement (QI) programs for CAUTI prevention in place? (Select all that apply)

Electronic alerts or reminders for removing unnecessary catheters

Multidisciplinary urinary catheter "rounds"

Stop orders for urinary catheters

Nurse initiated discontinuance of urinary indwelling catheter

Other (Please specify)_____

□ None

25. Please indicate if and when training is offered for the following topics. These trainings may be provided by facility/CLC staff members or external organizations.

	Not offered	Offered to new staff	Offered annually	Offered as needed
a. Appropriate antibiotic use				
b. Hand hygiene				
c. Catheter insertion				
d. Catheter maintenance				
 Reporting requirements to the health department 				

26. For each statement below, please select YES or NO: "Our facility/CLC has a policy on..."

		Yes	No	Don't Know
a.	Appropriate indications for catheter use			
b.	Urinary catheter insertion			
c.	Urinary catheter maintenance			
d.	Prevention of CAUTI			
e.	Perineal care			
f.	Fluid monitoring			
g.	Assessment, observation and documentation of residents on urinary catheters			
h.	Require a Physician order for the placement of a Foley catheter with documentation of reason			
i.	Appropriate antibiotic use			
j.	Education regarding infection risk-reduction behavior for vendors or contractual staff			
k.	Education regarding infection risk-reduction behavior for visitors			

27.	Which aspects of infection prevention are the top challenges for your facility/CLC at
	this time? (Select all that apply)

Blood borne pathogen exposure	Communication between facilities
control compliance	Environmental cleaning compliance
 Employee hand hygiene compliance Handling linens, equipment and 	Identifying or managing outbreaks/clusters
medical waste	Preventing spread of C. difficile
 Influenza vaccine to staff Preventing spread of MRSA Preventing spread of VRE Staff turnover Tracking infections Resident and family engagement Other (Please specify) 	 Preventing spread of Resistant gram-negative organisms (e.g. ESBLs) Providing sufficient education and training Standard precautions compliance Transmission-based precautions compliance There are no infection prevention
	challenges

28. Indicate how well you think important changes in infection prevention-related definitions, policies procedures or regulations are communicated to your facility/CLC from the following agencies

		No communication	Poorly	Neither poorly nor well	Well
a.	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)				
b.	Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)				
C.	State office of Licensure and Certification				
d.	State or local health department				

- 29. Indicate how your facility/CLC currently maintains infection prevention-related activities during times of staff turnover or when personnel resources are limited: (Select all that apply)
 - Cross-train staff members about infection prevention-related issues
 - Designate a chain of command so that it is clear who will oversee infection
 - □ Include an infection prevention-related component in the orientation of new employees
 - Make infection prevention-related trainings and resources accessible as needed
 - A Make written and updated policies and procedures easily available
 - Other (Please specify)_____
 - □ No specific policy

30. How are CAUTIs communicated when transferring residents in and out of your facility/CLC? (Select all that apply)						
Discharge orders	E-mail					
\square Phone call	Transfer sheet					
Uniform Assessment Instrument	Other (Please specify)					
Comments on resident transfer process inclu	Iding barriers:					
31. What type of infection prevention related inf	formation would be useful for you?					
(Select all that apply)	officiation would be useful for you?					
Antibiotic duration	Antibiotic indication					
Antibiotic type	Colonization with <i>C. diff</i>					
Colonization with MDROs	Need for barrier precautions					
Presence and indication for feeding	Presence and indication for PICC					
tubes	lines					
Presence and indication of a urinary catheter	☐ Other (Please specify)					
Additional Comments:						

Thank you for your time in completing this questionnaire. Results of this questionnaire will be sent to your organizational leads