



Home Care Infection Prevention and Control Program, 2017 Edition
Summary of Changes from the 2016 to 2017 Edition

Instructions: Thank you for previewing the 2017 updates to the *Home Care Infection Prevention and Control Program* manual's contents. Changes made to the manual's contents can be identified by going to the applicable page in the manual, reviewing the "2017 Changes" column below, and noting each of the changes described. Major changes in the 2017 edition are related to meeting the new home health Medicare CoPs, Zika directives, and the Pandemic Preparedness Plan and related activities to meet the new HHS 2017 Pandemic Preparedness guidance, and CMS emergency management plan regulations.

INFECTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL PLAN	
2017 Title	2017 Changes
1. Section I: Infection Prevention and Control Program	1. Edited the second sentence under "Goals" for program flexibility. 2. Edited "Objectives" #s5, 8, 11, and 13. 3. Edited "Strategies" 1 st paragraph and #s 1 and 2.
2. Section II: Infection Prevention and Control Risk Assessment	1. Edited the "High-risk Patients" section. 2. Deleted one of the "Treatments and Procedures Performed". 3. Edited the "Geographic Location Served" intro sentence, bullets #s5, 8 and 9. 4. Edited "Medical Devices, Equipment or Supplies" headings and edited list of non-critical items, soft surfaces, and semicritical items. 5. Edited intro paragraph under the heading of "Occupational Exposures and Risks". 6. Consolidated bulleted items under the "Infection Prevention and Control Data Analysis", and edited content. 7. Edited intro sentence under "Evaluation of the Patient and Environment" and bullet #10.
3. Section III: Strategies to Minimize, Reduce, or Eliminate the Prioritized Risks	1. Updated the "Evidenced-based Infection Prevention and Control Operating Systems" accrediting body standards. 2. Added content to "Strategies for Minimizing Infection Risks and



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	Occupational Exposures” B, E, F2, F3, and F6, and deleted content. 3. Edited “Staff Strategies for Preventing and Controlling Infection Transmission”, F, to delete content. 4. Edited “Strategies for Preventing and Controlling Infection Transmission in the Office Environment”, G to delete content.
4. Section IV: Structure and Resources for the Infection Prevention and Control Program	1. Edited “Governing Body: Infection Prevention and Control Duties and Responsibilities” to delete content from #5, and add content to 6B. 2. Added paragraph to “Infection Prevention and Control Oversight”, deleted content from #3, added #4.
5. References	1. Added 22 new references for 2017.

SURVEILLANCE	
2017 Title	2017 Changes
1. Surveillance Activities	Edited (minor) second paragraph, first sentence, and #1.
1. Identifying a Home Care-onset Infection	Edited and added new content through the 5 pages.
2. Calculating the Metrics for a Home Care-onset Infection Incidence Rate	No changes.
3. Collecting Denominator Data for Device-associated Infections	Edited the “Guideline” and #s1 and 2. Minor edits to #s3 and 4.
4. Conducting Surveillance Activities for a Urinary Tract Infection	Edited and added new content to the “Guideline” and #s1, 3, 4, 5, 8, and 11.
5. Calculating the Metrics for a Urinary Tract Infection	Edited and added new content to the “Guideline”, #1 and 3A-F, and added 3G.
6. Conducting Surveillance Activities for a Central Line-associated Bloodstream Infection	Edited the “Guideline” to add new content.



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SURVEILLANCE	
1. Calculating the Metrics for a Central Line-associated Bloodstream Infection	Edited first line of the “Guideline”.
2. Conducting Surveillance Activities for a Skin and Soft Tissue Infection	No changes.
3. Calculating the Metrics for a Skin and Soft Tissue Infection	Edited first line of the “Guideline”.
1. Outbreak Surveillance Activities	Edited #3.
2. Collecting, Aggregating and Analyzing Surveillance Data	No changes.
3. Criteria for Internal Reporting of Infections	Added content to #3.
1. Criteria for External Reporting of Infections	Edited (minor) the “Guideline” and added content to F.
2. Protocol for Contacting Public Health Agencies	No changes.
3. Appendix	No changes.
2017 Forms	2017 Changes
1. Site-specific Infection Criterion for Home Health Care and Home Hospice Infections	1. Edited definition of a Primary Bloodstream infection. 2. Add new criterion for a Laboratory-confirmed Bloodstream Infection to the 3 criteria. 3. Edited definition of a Mucosal Barrier Injury Laboratory-confirmed Bloodstream Infection to criterion 1 and 3. 4. Edited definition to Venous Infection 5. Added new definition and criteria for SUTI and CA-UTI.
2. Home Care and Hospice Surveillance Formulas: Outcome Measures to Calculate a Home Care-onset Infection	1. Revised the Title. 2. Revised the format, added new content and formulas to 44 Surveillance Events.
3. Home Care and Hospice Surveillance Formulas: Process Measures to Calculate a Home Care-onset Infection	1. Revised the Title. 2. Revised the format, added new content and formulas.
3. Home Care and Hospice Surveillance Reporting Worksheet	No changes.



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SURVEILLANCE	
4. Skin and Soft Tissue Infection Surveillance Worksheet	No changes.
5. Urinary Tract Infection Surveillance Worksheet	Revised all content to reflect new criteria and edited questions 1, 2, 3 and 7.
6. Central Line-associated Bloodstream Infection Surveillance Worksheet	No changes.
7. Central Line-associated Bloodstream Infection Line List	Edited the instructions.
8. Urinary Tract Infection Line List	Edited infection definition label.
9. Skin and Soft Tissue Infection Line List	No changes.
10. Surveillance Denominators	Revised a category heading for UTI.
11. Home Care Surveillance Report	Edited heading for UTI.
12. Home Care Surveillance Report Summary	Edited heading for UTI and notes at the bottom of the form.
13. Home Care Infection Prevention and Control Transfer Summary	Edited section IV heading, CVAD categories, UTI definition, and PVAD examples. Edited section V, #1.
14. Multidrug-resistant Organism and <i>C. difficile</i> Prevalence and Incidence Log	No changes.
15. State Reportable Disease/Conditions Web Sites	No changes.
16. State-specific list of Reportable Diseases/Conditions and Reporting form(s)	Deleted and combined with "State Reportable Disease/Conditions Web Sites" page.

HAND HYGIENE	
2017 Title	2017 Changes
Policies based on CDC Hand Hygiene Guidelines	Policies based on CDC Hand Hygiene Guidelines
1. Hand Hygiene Plan	Edited line one of the "Guideline" (minor), and 1C.
2. Indications for Hand Hygiene	Edited the "Guideline" and #3A, D, E, F, and G.
3. Hand Hygiene Using an Alcohol-based Hand Hygiene Product	Edited the "Guideline" C and second paragraph, and #s2 and 3.



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HAND HYGIENE	
4. Hand Hygiene Using Soap and Water	Edited #s5 and 7.
5. Hand Hygiene Products	Edited Alcohol-based Hand Hygiene Product A, and Soap second sentence.
6. Hand Hygiene Supplies	Edited the Nursing Hand Hygiene Contents D.
7. Other Hand Hygiene Considerations	No changes.
8. Hand Care Program	Edited 1D and E (minor).
9. Alcohol-based Hand Hygiene Product Storage	Edited Storage in a Vehicle last line, and second paragraph E, and first line of paragraph three.
Policies based on WHO Hand Hygiene Guidelines	Policies based on WHO Hand Hygiene Guidelines
1. WHO Hand Hygiene Plan	Edited line one of the “Guideline” (minor), and 1C.
2. WHO Indications for Hand Hygiene	Edited 2F.
3. WHO Hand Hygiene Using an Alcohol-based Hand Hygiene Product	No changes.
4. WHO Hand Hygiene Using Soap and Water	No changes.
5. WHO Hand Hygiene Products	No changes.
6. WHO Hand Hygiene Supplies	No changes.
7. WHO Other Hand Hygiene Considerations	No changes.
8. WHO Hand Care Program	Edited Storage in a Vehicle last line, and second paragraph E, and first line of paragraph three.
9. WHO Alcohol-based Hand Hygiene Product Storage	No changes.
1. CDC vs. WHO Hand Hygiene Guideline Comparison	No changes.

CLEANING AND DISINFECTION	
2017 Title	2017 Changes
1. Principles of Cleaning and Disinfection	Added content to last two sentences of first paragraph, and last line.
1. Soft Surface Sanitizing	No changes.



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CLEANING AND DISINFECTION	
2. Medical Equipment: Noncritical Items	Edited the second sentence and the second paragraph of the "Guideline", and #s2 and 4.
3. Vital Sign Equipment	Edited the "Guideline" and intro sentence under the heading of "Procedure"; edited Pulse oximeter #3; edited Stethoscope #s1, 3, 5 and 6, and deleted content.
4. Electronic Medical Equipment Used by Patients	Edited the first and second paragraphs under the heading of "Guideline" (minor), #10, and deleted content.
5. Portable Electronic Devices: Laptop Computer, Tablet, and Peripherals	Edited the first and second paragraphs under the heading of "Guideline" (minor), #s 4 and 5, and deleted content.
6. Bag Technique	Revised the title, and updated all content.
7. Decontaminating and Cleaning the Nursing Bag	Edited the content in the "Guideline", and #s 2, 5, 5, 7, 9 and 10.
8. Core and Supplementary Contents in the Home Care Nursing Bag	Edited line one in the "Guideline" and 3B.
9. Children's Toys and Rehabilitation Equipment	Edited the second paragraph (minor), #3B, and deleted content.
10. Medical Bed Mattress Cover	Added new content in #1, and edited content in 3, 3A – D.
11. Cleaning and Storage of Bath Basins	Revised the title. Edited 2A.
12. Medical Equipment: Semicritical Items	Edited the "Guideline" to add a second paragraph, deleted content in the guideline, and #4.
13. Point-of-Care Device: Prothrombin Monitoring Device	<i>New</i>
14. Medical Equipment: Critical Items	No changes.
15. Linen Handling, Storage, and Cleaning	Edited the first paragraph of the "Guideline", added a paragraph to the "Guideline", and edited #s 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11, and 13.
16. Cleaning Spills of Non-regulated Medical Waste	Edited #s 2, 3, and 5.
17. Cleaning Spills of Medical Waste on a Hard, Non-porous Surface	Edited #s 1 and 6, and deleted content.



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CLEANING AND DISINFECTION	
18. Cleaning Spills on a Porous Surface	Added second sentence to the “Guideline”, and edited #s 1, 3, 4, 5, and 6.
19. Cleaning Environmental Surfaces	Edited the “Guideline”, and #3A-G, and R-T.
20. Storing Patient Care Supplies in a Vehicle	Revised the title, edited the second sentence in the first and second paragraphs of the “Guideline”.
21. Inspecting and Maintaining Patient Care Supplies Stored in a Vehicle	Edited #s3 and 5.
22. Medical Equipment and Supply Storage	Edited Shelf Stock and Storage C, E, and F1 and 2; and edited Storage of Patient Care Supplies in the Home.
23. Staff Member Attire	Edited the first word under the “Guideline”, and C.
24. Labeling a Secondary Cleaning Product Container	Edited the “Guideline” (minor), and #s1, 2, and 3.
25. Refrigerator Temperature Monitoring	Edited the “Guideline” and added new content, #s1, 3-6, and deleted content.
26. Refrigerator Cleaning	Edited the first sentence under the “Guideline”, and #s6-9.
2017 Form	2017 Form Changes
1. Medication Refrigerator Temperature Log	No changes.
2. Food Refrigerator Temperature Log	No changes.
3. Refrigerator/Freezer Troubleshooting Record	Edited the Description of the Problem section.
4. Equipment and Supplies Storage: Vehicle Inspection Checklist	Edited the interior surface, lab specimen, skin/lotion or cream, eye protection, and vehicle storage containers.

PATIENT CARE PRACTICES	
2017 Title	2017 Changes
1. Sterile Technique	Edited #2.
2. Aseptic Technique	Edited all content.
3. Wound Care	Edited Guiding Principle C.
4. Irrigation Solution Storage and Use	Edited the Guiding Principle, and A - E and deleted content.



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5. Access Device and Phlebotomy: Skin Antisepsis	Edited #1.
6. Venous Access Device: Changing the Dressing	Edited the "Guideline" in the third paragraph, and #2.
7. Needleless Connector Disinfection Technique	Edited the "Guideline".
8. Needleless Connector Disinfection Technique: Disinfection Cap	Edited the "Guideline".
9. Needleless Connector: Indications and Frequency for Changing	No changes.
10. Needleless Connector: Clamping and Disconnecting Sequence	Edited #1 and deleted brand names.
11. Venous Access Device: Flushing and Locking	Edited the "Guideline" C, D, E, and F.
12. Central Venous Access Device: Infection Prevention Strategies	Edited the "Guideline" B.
13. Central Venous Access Device: Evaluation and Criteria for Removal	Edited the "Guideline" in the second sentence.
14. Removing a Midline or Non-tunneled Central Venous Catheter	Revised the title, and edited the first sentence of the "Guideline".
15. Peripheral Venous Access Device: Infection Prevention Strategies	No changes.
16. Subcutaneous Access Device: Infection Prevention Strategies	No changes.
17. Infusion Therapy Equipment and Supplies	No changes.
18. Collecting Blood for Culture and Other Tests	Edited #14.
19. Single and Multi-dose Vials and Containers	No changes.
20. IV Push Medication Preparation and Administration	Edited the "Guideline".
21. Patient Vaccination: Influenza and Pneumococcal Vaccines	<i>New</i>
22. Medication and Vaccine Storage	Edited the first and third paragraphs of the "Guideline", and #4.
23. Medication Delivery to the Home	Deleted



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PATIENT CARE PRACTICES	
24. Medication Storage During Transport to the Home	Edited the “Guideline”.
25. Refrigerated Vaccine Storage During Transport	No changes.
26. Medication Storage in the Patient’s Home	Deleted former #1.
27. Point of Care Device: Blood Glucose Meter	Revised the title, and edited the “Guideline” A and C.
28. Respiratory Therapy	Edited “Guideline” B – E, L, N, and T.
29. Preventing Ventilator-associated Pneumonia: Oral Care	Edited #9.
30. Enteral Therapy	Edited L.
31. Urinary Tract Care	Edited Appropriate Urinary Catheter Use A1 and 3, and D; edited Alternatives to Indwelling Catheterization A – C; edited Proper Techniques for Urinary Catheter Insertion B; edited Proper Techniques for Urinary Catheter Maintenance C, H, K, and N, and deleted content from N; edited Catheter Material and added D.
32. Collecting and Transporting a Urine Specimen	Edited the second sentence in the “Guideline”; deleted content from Using and Intermittent “In-and-Out” Catheter #7; added content to #1 Midstream Clean Catch Specimen; deleted content from Using an Indwelling Catheter #5.
33. Collecting and Transporting a Stool Specimen	Edited the “Guideline”; edited introductory statement in #1; and edited #6.
34. Collecting and Transporting a Rectal Swab	No changes.
35. Collecting and Transporting a Nasopharyngeal Swab	No changes.
36. Animal-assisted Activities	Edited title to Criteria to Participating in Animal-assisted Activities; and edited General Infection Control Measure for Animal Encounters E and H.
37. Care and Handling of Animals in a Hospice Care Facility	Edited two subtitles, and the Guidelines for Personal Pets in a Facility D.



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PATIENT CARE PRACTICES	
38. Reducing the Risk of Transporting Bed Bugs and Other Pests	Edited Policy statement; edited Protective Equipment B; edited Before the Home Visit #3; edited In the Patient’s Home with a Known Infestation #s5 and 8; and edited After the Visit #6.
ISOLATION PRECAUTIONS	
2017 Title	2017 Changes
1. Standard Precautions	Edited Gown E; edited gloves C and deleted content; edited Mouth, Nose and Eye Protection C; edited mask D – G; added paragraph to Respiratory Hygiene/Cough Etiquette; revised subtitle to Post-mortem Care and edited all content.
2. Transmission-Based Isolation Precautions	No changes.
3. Airborne Precautions	Edited second paragraph of the “Guideline”; edited When to Implement bullets 1, 3, 6, 9, 10, and 11; edited last paragraph under this heading; edited Respiratory Protection third line; edited first sentence in Patient Care Practices; and added section on Post-mortem Care.
4. Droplet Precautions	Edited first sentence of Patient Placement.
5. Contact Precautions	Edited all content in Patient Placement, and last line in gloves.
6. Caring for a Patient with a Multidrug-Resistant Organism	No changes.
7. Caring for a Patient with a <i>Clostridium difficile</i> Infection	Edited When to Discontinue Contact Precautions; edited Patient Placement in the Home; edited Patient Placement in the Hospice Care Facility; edited Hand Hygiene A and D; edited Equipment: Commode and Bedpan; and edited Environmental Controls C and D.
8. Caring for a Patient with Zika Virus Disease	No changes.



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ISOLATION PRECAUTIONS	
9. Management of the Individual in the Home Suspected of Having Exposure to the Ebola Virus	No changes.
10. Caring for a Patient with Confirmed or Suspected Pandemic Influenza or Emerging Pathogen	Edited Patient Placement in the Home first sentence.
11. Pandemic Preparedness Planning and Managing an Influx of Infectious Patients	Revised the Title; edited Mitigation to add #s5 and 6; added new section on Community Mitigation Measures; edited Education and Training to add B – J; edited Resource Management last paragraph; edited content to add Prepandemic and Pandemic Phase; edited Staffing Resources to add G, J – M, and N first bullet; edited Durable Resources; edited Patient Management third paragraph; edited Risk Communication and Pre-event Messaging; and edited Sanitation.
12. Appendix	No changes.
2017 Forms	2017 Changes
1. Sequence for Putting on Personal Protective Equipment	Edited #2.
2. Sequence for Removing Personal Protective Equipment: Option One	Edited introductory statement; edited #s2 and 3.
3. Sequence for Removing Personal Protective Equipment: Option Two	Edited introductory statement; and edited #1.
4. Management of MDROs in the Home and Facility-based Hospice Setting	No changes.
5. When to Implement Standard Precautions vs. Contact Precautions for a Patient Infected or Colonized with a Multidrug-Resistant Organism	Edited final selection criteria and note section.
6. Pandemic Preparedness Self-Assessment	No changes.
7. Category A Bioterrorism Agents	No changes.
8. Recommended Isolation Precautions for Selected Infections and Conditions	No changes.



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MEDICAL WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN	
2017 Title	2017 Changes
1. Categories of Waste	Edited first line in the "Guideline".
2. Regulated Medical Waste Generated by Staff	Edited the "Guideline" B and C.
3. Disposal and Transport of Medical Waste Generated by Staff	Edited the "Guideline", and #s1B, 2 and 4.
4. Sharps Waste Generated by Staff	No changes.
5. Sharps Waste Management	Edited the "Guideline" second sentence.
6. Disposal and Transport of Sharps Generated by Staff	Edited #s4, 6 and 7.
7. Medical Waste Storage Area	Edited the "Guideline", and #s1B and 2.
8. On-Site Medical Waste and Sharps Storage Container	Edited the "Guideline", and #s1, 1C and 2 - 4.

BLOODBORNE PATHOGEN EXPOSURE CONTROL PLAN	
2017 Title	2017 Changes
1. Administrative	No changes.
2. Exposure Determination	No changes.
3. Engineering and Work Practices Controls	No changes.
4. Personal Protective Equipment	Edited the "Guideline" line eight.
5. Recordkeeping	Added the "Guideline".
6. Bloodborne Pathogen Exposure Control Plan Evaluation	Edited the "Guideline" and deleted content; edited #s1, 3, 4 and 8.
7. Appendix	No changes.
2017 Forms	2017 Form Changes
1. Sharps and Safety Device Evaluation	No changes.
2. Blood and Body Fluid Exposure	Formatting changes only.
3. Sharps Injury Log	Edited section VI and heading of section VII.
4. Source Patient Blood Test Consent/Declination	Added content to consent statement next to checkbox.

RESPIRATORY PROTECTION PLAN	
2017 Title	2017 Changes
1. Administrative	Edited Accessibility, Assignment of Responsibility, and Staff Members Included



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RESPIRATORY PROTECTION PLAN	
	in the Respiratory Protection Plan introductory statement.
2. Exposure Determination	Edited Tasks Contributing to Occupational Exposure and A – G; and edited Exposure Definition.
3. TB Risk Assessment Activities	No changes.
4. TB Risk Classification	No changes.
5. TB Screening Program	Edited second sentence in paragraph below D.
6. Patient Identification and Management	No significant changes.
7. Particulate Filtering Facepiece Respirator	Edited Respirator Reuse line four, second paragraph and C, E – F; edited second set and added D and E; edited Respirator Storage and added second sentence; and edited Respirator Disposal lines four and five.
8. Fit Testing	Edited the “Guideline” to add second paragraph; and edited Staff Requiring Fit Testing.
9. How to Perform Qualitative Fit Testing	Edited #s7, 9, 10, 14, and 16A.
10. User Seal Check	No changes.
11. Recordkeeping	Edited the “Guideline”, and Exposure Control Records.
12. Respiratory Protection Program Evaluation	Edited the “Guideline” and deleted content; edited #5; and added #7.
2017 Forms	2017 Changes
1. TB Risk Assessment Tool	Edited last page, and Frequency of TB Screening for Low Risk Category.
OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH PROGRAM	
2017 Title	2017 Changes
1. Health Screening	Edited the “Guideline”, and introductory statement to #7.
2. Hepatitis B Vaccination	Edited qualifiers in the “Guideline”.
3. Administering the Hepatitis B Vaccine	Edited #3 last line.
4. Influenza Vaccination Program	No changes.



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OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH PROGRAM	
5. Influenza Vaccination Acceptance	Edited the “Guideline” last line of second paragraph.
6. Administering the Influenza Vaccine	Edited the “Guideline”.
7. Influenza Vaccination Declination	No changes.
8. Influenza Vaccination Rate Methodology	No changes.
9. Calculating the Influenza Vaccination Rate	No changes.
10. Influenza Vaccination Program Evaluation	Edited the “Guideline”, and #s1 and 4
11. Testing for <i>M. tuberculosis</i> Infection	Edited the “Guideline” C first sentence, and #3.
12. Administering and Interpreting the Tuberculin Skin Test	Edited the “Guideline”.
13. Serial TB Screening	Edited the “Guideline” second paragraph, and #2.
14. Staff Members with a Newly Recognized Positive Test Result for <i>M. tuberculosis</i> Infection or Signs or Symptoms of TB Disease	No changes.
15. Respirator Medical Questionnaire and Examination	Edited #s1 and 6A.
16. Occupational Exposure to <i>M. tuberculosis</i>	Edited the “Guideline” first, second, and fourth paragraphs, and E, deleted content, edited #s1 – 6; deleted content in #6.
17. Occupational Exposure to Blood and Body Fluids	No changes.
18. Follow-Up of Staff Exposed to Known or Suspected Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) - Positive Sources and Postexposure Prophylaxis (PEP)	No changes.
19. Evaluating and Managing Staff with a Possible Occupational Exposure to Zika Virus	<i>New</i>
20. Occupational Latex Allergies	No changes.
19. Actions to Take After an Animal Bite in the Home	<i>New</i>



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OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH PROGRAM	
20. Work Restrictions	Edited the “Guideline” first and second sentences, and B- E; and deleted content from procedures.
20. Occupational Health Surveillance Activities	Edited the “Guideline” D second - fifth bullet; and edited #3.
22. Appendix	No changes.
2017 Forms	2017 Changes
1. Health Screening	No changes.
2. Hepatitis B Vaccination Acceptance/Declination	Edited acceptance statement, lines one and two.
3. Influenza Vaccination Acceptance/Declination	Edited Acceptance content; edited Declination section, second to the last line; edited medical contraindication definition
4. Immunization and TB Screening	No changes.
5. Tuberculin Skin Test Record	No changes.
6. Tuberculosis Symptom Screen Questionnaire	Edited questions two and four; and edited notation on the last line.
7. Respirator Medical Evaluation and Questionnaire	No changes.
8. Verification of Qualitative Fit Test (QLFT)	No changes.
9. Observation Checklist for Placing a Tuberculin Skin Test	No changes.
10. Observation Checklist for Reading a Tuberculin Skin Test	No changes.
11. Work Restrictions for Staff Exposed to or Infected with Certain Diseases and Conditions	Edited two Zika virus categories.
12. Work Restrictions for Staff Exposed to or Infected with Certain Vaccine Preventable Diseases and Conditions	No changes.
13. Outcome Measures: Occupational Health Surveillance	Edited Numerator criteria for Staff Illness category and Influenza vaccination numerator #2.
14. Occupational Illness/Injury Log	Edited the content in Illness/Injury Code #2 items B, C, and E; and added a location entry.



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PATIENT AND STAFF EDUCATION	
2017 Patient Education Title	2017 Changes
1. Principles of Infection Prevention and Control Education	Deleted content from the “Guideline”; added #s1 - 3, and 5; and edited #6.
2. Infusion Therapy in the Home	Edited intro to #1 and #1E, #1J (minor); deleted content from #1C, and former #1P.
3. Storage and Disposal of Home-generated Medical Waste	Added a state in the second paragraph of the “Guideline”, and content to #s2G, and 3E; edited #2D and F.
4. Preventing the Spread of <i>Clostridium difficile</i>	Edited the content of the “Guideline” and #1 A-J.
5. Preventing a Home Care-onset Urinary Tract Infection	Revised the title; added #1; added content to #2B-J, and added #3.
6. General Infection Prevention and Control Strategies	Edited all content.
7. Preventing a Home Care-onset Infection During Patient Care	Added the “Guideline” and #1; edited #2B
8. Preventing a Home Care-onset Infection During Enteral Therapy	<i>New</i>
9. Laundry Management	Deleted content and edited the “Guideline”.
10. Bleach Preparation	Edited the “Guideline” and added content; edited (minor) #S4 and 9.
11. Preventing a Mosquito-borne Illness	Revised the title; edited #S1B and 2; edited (minor) #1C, 1E III, and IV, and 1F.
12. Home Respiratory Isolation	<i>New</i>
2017 Staff Education Title	2017 Changes
1. Infection Prevention and Control Strategies	Edited the “Guideline”, line four.
2. Hand Hygiene	Edited the style of content for #1A-I;
3. Bloodborne Pathogens	No changes.
4. Medical Waste and Sharps	No changes.
5. Cleaning Chemicals	Edited #1B and F.
6. <i>M. tuberculosis</i> and Airborne Pathogens	No changes.
7. Preventing a Central Line-associated Bloodstream Infection	Revised the title, and edited #2.
8. Antimicrobial Stewardship	Edited #1G.



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PATIENT AND STAFF EDUCATION	
9. Preventing the Spread of Antibiotic-resistant Organisms	Edited #1E, H and I (minor).
10. Preventing the Spread of <i>Clostridium difficile</i>	Edited #4.
11. Preventing a Mosquito-borne Illness	Revised the title.
12. Influenza Vaccination	No changes.
13. Pandemic Preparedness Response Training	<i>New</i>
14. Preventing an Animal Bite when Making Home Visits	<i>New</i>
15. Aide Training Program	Edited the style of the content for #1A-P.
16. Aide Competence Assessment in Infection Prevention and Control	Edited the “Guideline” B and D; and edited the content of #1A-H.
17. Staff Competence Assessment in Infection Prevention and Control	Edited the third paragraph of the “Guideline”, line one; and added content to #1, line two.
18. Hand Hygiene: Demonstrating Staff’s Knowledge and Competence	Deleted former title “Hand Hygiene: Demonstrating Staff’s Knowledge” and merged the content into one; deleted content from the “Guideline” and added content to the last line; edited #1 (line two), and #2 (intro statement); and edited and added content to #3.
2017 Checklist and Test	2017 Changes
1. Infection Prevention and Control Skills Review	Edited “Cleaning and Disinfection of Medical Equipment – Disinfectant Product” #3, and Blood Glucose Monitoring Device #5.
2. Hand Hygiene Knowledge Assessment	No changes.
3. Hand Hygiene Knowledge Assessment Answer Key	No changes.

QUALITY ASSESSMENT AND PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT (QAPI)	
2017 Title	2017 Changes
1. Quality Assessment and Performance Improvement (QAPI) Program	Edited the fourth paragraph, fourth bullet under the heading of Infection Prevention



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QUALITY ASSESSMENT AND PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT (QAPI)	
	and Control Program; edited the “Plan” all paragraphs; edited the first paragraph under the heading of “Infection Prevention and Control Program Data”; edited the first sentence under the heading of “Process and Outcome Measurement”; edited the “data Sources” F and G; edited the second sentence under the heading of “Frequency of Data Collection”; edited the intro under the heading of “Assessing Performance”; and edited the “improve” section first and second paragraphs, #2C, and added the third paragraph.
2. Infection Prevention and Control Program Evaluation Activities	Edited the first paragraph, and #1G, M, and N.
3. Infection Prevention and Control Program Targeted Goals	Deleted content and revised goal statements; edited the vaccination rate goal for 2017-2018.
2017 Forms	2017 Changes
1. QAPI: Infection Prevention and Control Program Data Collection Matrix	Edited the “Frequency of Data Collection” under the heading of “Staff Knowledge and Competence”.
2. Home Care Infection Prevention and Control Risk Assessment Tool	Edited the first entries under the category of “Patient Safety” and “Medical Equipment Used in Patient Care”, and fourth entry under the category of “Occupational Exposure to Pathogens”.
3. Infection Prevention and Control Skills Review Data Summary	No changes.
4. Influenza Vaccination Summary: 2017 – 2018 Influenza Season	No changes.
5. Occupational Illness/Injury Data Summary	No changes.
6. Infection Prevention and Control Program Targeted Goals Evaluation	Deleted category for “Improving Compliance with Hand Hygiene Guidelines: Staff Knowledge”.

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