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EXECUTIVES IN FACILITY C-SUITES & HEALTHCARE ADMINISTRATORS

Promote a culture of patient safety and quality care in your facility.

Prioritize, establish, and maintain HAI prevention and antibiotic stewardship programs.

Know your facility’s HAI and antibiotic use data to meet quality reporting requirements and accreditation standards.

Build a relationship with your state, local, and territorial public health agencies to ensure collaboration in an emergency and share data.

Establish procedures to alert receiving facilities when transferring patients with drug-resistant bacteria. Ensure clinical staff have access to prompt, accurate laboratory testing.

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ENVIRONMENTAL CLEANING & ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

- Clean your hands when entering and exiting patient rooms, restrooms, and healthcare facilities.
- Follow facility hygiene, isolation, and cleaning practices.
- Know your facility’s HAI prevention practices and protocols.
- Participate in HAI prevention and infection control trainings in your facility.

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Identify opportunities to educate and motivate teams about HAI prevention and antibiotic stewardship programs in facilities.

Promote HAI prevention and antibiotic stewardship as a culture of practice.

Communicate HAI data to leadership and look for opportunities to promote HAI prevention and antibiotic stewardship programs as value-based programming.

Share best practices for HAI prevention and outbreak detection with healthcare teams, other infection preventionists and quality improvement staff, and public health partners.

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INFECTION PREVENTIONISTS & QUALITY IMPROVEMENT STAFF

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Clean your hands before and after touching objects or surfaces in your healthcare facility, eating, and using the restroom. Ensure others clean their hands before and after touching you.

Ask your doctor what he or she is doing to protect you from getting an infection.

Ask if tests will be done to ensure the right antibiotic is prescribed. If and when antibiotics are necessary, take the proper drug and dose for the proper duration.

If you have a medical device, such as a central line or a urinary catheter, ask every day if it is necessary.

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