

Infection Control and Prevention Guidelines, Resources, and Toolkits

The following is a collection of reference material related to infection prevention.

Topics At-A-Glance

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Antibiotic Stewardship
Hand Hygiene
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General Infection Prevention

- [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\) and Healthcare Infection Control Practice Advisory Committee \(HICPAC\) Guidelines and Recommendations](#)
- [2007 Guidelines for Isolation Precautions: Preventing Transmission of Infectious Agents in Healthcare Settings](#)
- [Top CDC Recommendations to Prevent Healthcare-Associated Infections](#)
- [Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Hospital Infection Control Worksheet](#)

Auditing checklists available for observations of:

- Hand Hygiene
- Injection Practices and Sharps Safety
- Personal Protective Equipment/Standard Precautions
- Environmental Services
- Equipment Reprocessing (non-critical, semi-critical, reusable critical and single-use devices)
- Indwelling Urinary Catheters
- Central Venous Catheters
- Ventilator/Respiratory Therapy
- Spinal Injection Procedures
- Point of Care Devices
- Isolation: Contact, Droplet, and Airborne Precautions
- Surgical Procedures

Antibiotic Stewardship

- [Antibiotic Stewardship Statement for Antibiotic Guidelines – Recommendations of the Healthcare Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee \(HICPAC\), September 2016](#)
- [CDC Implementation Resources for Antibiotic Stewardship](#)
- [CDC Core Elements of Hospital Antibiotic Stewardship Programs](#)
- [National Quality Forum Antibiotic Stewardship Playbook](#)
- [CDC Implementation of Antimicrobial Stewardship Core Elements at Small and Critical Access Hospitals](#)

Hand Hygiene

- [CDC Guideline for Hand Hygiene in Health-Care Settings](#)
- [CDC Hand Hygiene in Healthcare Settings](#)
- [Measuring Hand Hygiene Adherence: Overcoming the Challenges](#)
- [iScrub iPhone/iPod Touch application for hand hygiene monitoring](#)
- [Pennsylvania Patient Safety Authority Hand Hygiene Educational Tools](#)

Personal Protective Equipment

- [CDC Guidance for Protecting Healthcare Personnel](#)
- [CDC Sequence for Putting On and Removing Personal Protective Equipment \(PPE\)](#)
- [Management of Multidrug-Resistant Organisms in Healthcare Settings, 2006](#)

Safe Injection and Point of Care Testing Practices

- [CDC Injection Safety Resources](#)
- [CDC One & Only Campaign Resources](#)
- [One & Only Campaign Injection Safety Checklist](#)
- [Infection Prevention during Blood Glucose Monitoring and Insulin Administration](#)
- [Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQs\) regarding Assisted Blood Glucose Monitoring and Insulin Administration](#)
- [Pennsylvania Patient Safety Authority, “Injection Safety: What Every Ambulatory Surgery Facility Physician and Manager/Owner Needs to Know”](#)

Long Term Care/Nursing Home

- [CDC Infection Prevention Resources for Long-term Care Facilities](#)
- [CDC Core Elements of Antibiotic Stewardship for Nursing Homes](#)
- [CDC Core Elements of Antibiotic Stewardship for Nursing Homes Checklist](#)
- [CDC Influenza Vaccination Toolkit for Long-Term Care Employers](#)
- [Pennsylvania Patient Safety Authority Long-Term Care Best-Practice Assessment Tool](#)
- [CMS State Operations Manual, Appendix PP, Released November 2014 \(IC Guidance on pages 182-220\)](#)

Ambulatory Surgical Facility

- [Pennsylvania Patient Safety Authority Ambulatory Surgical Facility Infection Control Practice Assessment Tool](#)

- [Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality \(AHRQ\) Toolkit to Improve Safety in Ambulatory Surgery Centers](#)

Healthcare Personnel Safety

- [Guideline for Infection Control in Health Care Personnel, 1998](#)
- [CDC Recommended Vaccines for Healthcare Workers](#)
- [Hospital Respiratory Protection Program Toolkit](#)
- [Occupational Safety & Health Administration \(OSHA\) Bloodborne Pathogens and Needlestick Prevention](#)
- [OSHA Respiratory Protection Standard](#)
- [OSHA Respirator Fit Testing](#)

Influenza (Flu)

- [CDC Infection Control in Health Care Facilities](#)
- [Respiratory Hygiene/Cough Etiquette in Healthcare Settings](#)

Environmental Infection Control

- [CDC and Healthcare Infection Control Practice Advisory Committee \(HICPAC\) Guidelines for Environmental Infection Control in Healthcare Facilities](#)
- [Environmental Protection Agency's \(EPA\) Registered Antimicrobial Products Effective against Clostridium difficile Spores](#)
- [CDC Options for Evaluating Environmental Cleaning](#)
 - [CDC Environmental Checklist for Monitoring Terminal Cleaning](#)
 - [CDC Environmental Cleaning Evaluation Worksheet](#)
 - [Infection Control Risk Assessment \(ICRA\) Matrix of Precautions for Construction & Renovation](#)

Resources to assist with evaluation and response to breaches in infection control

- [CDC Steps for Evaluating an Infection Control Breach](#)
- [CDC Patient Notification Toolkit](#)

Catheter-associated Urinary Tract Infection (CAUTI)

- [CDC/HICPAC Guideline for the Prevention of Catheter-Associated Urinary Tract Infections, 2009](#)
- [American Nurses Association CAUTI Prevention Tool](#)
- [CDC TAP CAUTI Toolkit Implementation Guide: Links to Example Resources](#)
- [Pennsylvania Patient Safety Authority CAUTI Prevention Practices Toolkit](#)
- [SHEA/IDSA Strategies to Prevent CAUTI in Acute Care Hospitals: 2014 Update](#)
- [Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality \(AHRQ\) Toolkit for Reducing CAUTI in Hospitals](#)
- [University of Michigan Health System Catheter-Out Website](#)

Central line-associated Bloodstream Infection (CLABSI)

- [CDC/HICPAC Guidelines for the Prevention of Intravascular Catheter-Related Infections, 2011](#)
- [CDC Checklist for Prevention of Central Line-Associated Blood Stream Infections](#)
- [Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality \(AHRQ\) Tools for Reducing CLABSIs](#)

- [Pennsylvania Patient Safety Authority CLABSI Risk Reduction Toolkit](#)
- [SHEA/IDSA Strategies to prevent CLABSI in Acute Care Hospitals: 2014 Update](#)
- [Health Research and Educational Trust \(HRET\) On the CUSP: Stop BSI](#)

Ventilator-associated Event (VAE)

- [CDC/HICPAC Guidelines for Preventing Healthcare-Associated Pneumonia, 2003](#)
- [SHEA/IDSA Strategies to Prevent Ventilator-Associated Pneumonia in Acute Care Hospitals: 2014 Update](#)

Surgical Site Infection (SSI)

- [CDC/HICPAC Guidelines for Prevention of Surgical Site Infection, 1999](#)
- [Pennsylvania Patient Safety Authority Surgical Site Infections Toolkit](#)
- [SHEA/IDSA Strategies to Prevent Surgical Site Infections in Acute Care Hospitals: 2014 Update](#)
- [2013 American Society of Health-System Pharmacists \(ASHP\) Clinical Practice Guidelines for Antimicrobial Prophylaxis in Surgery](#)
- [Institute for Healthcare Improvement \(IHI\) How-to Guide: Prevent Surgical Site Infections](#)

Clostridium difficile Infection (CDI) and Multidrug-Resistant Organisms (MDRO)

- [CDC/HICPAC 2007 Guidelines for Isolation Precautions: Preventing Transmission of Infectious Agents in Healthcare Settings](#)
- [CDC/HICPAC Management of Multi-Drug Resistant Organisms in Healthcare Settings, 2006](#)
- [SHEA/IDSA Strategies to Prevention *Clostridium difficile* Infections in Acute Care Hospitals: 2014 Update](#)
- [SHEA/IDSA Clinical Practice Guidelines for *Clostridium difficile* Infection in Adults: 2010 Update](#)
- [Environmental Protection Agency \(EPA\) List of Registered Antimicrobial Products Effective against *Clostridium difficile* Spores](#)
- [Pennsylvania Patient Safety Authority Clostridium Difficile Strategies](#)

Equipment Reprocessing

- [CDC/HICPAC Guideline for Disinfection and Sterilization in Healthcare Facilities, 2008](#)
- [U.S. Food and Drug Administration \(FDA\) Guidance for Reprocessed Single-Use Medical Devices](#)

Point-of-Care Testing

- [CDC Infection Prevention during Blood Glucose Monitoring and Insulin Administration](#)
- [CDC Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQs\) regarding Assisted Blood Glucose Monitoring and Insulin Administration](#)

Heater-Cooler Information

- [CDC Contaminated Heater-Cooler Devices Webpage](#)