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Project Firstline Partner Activities Update

The Association for the Health Care Environment (AHE) has partnered with Project Firstline to develop the Project Firstline EVS Cleaning & Disinfection Job Aids. These tools support frontline EVS professionals and their supervisor's efforts to practice proper cleaning and disinfection in a variety of healthcare settings. [Click here](#) to receive the tools and access other educational content.

The first tool, **EVS Cleaning and Disinfecting Matrix**, is an easily accessible job aid and quick reference for EVS frontline workers to remind staff to use appropriate cleaning, disinfecting and PPE safety considerations to reduce the risk of spreading germs. This tool is available in English and Spanish.

The second tool, **EVS Facility Specific Cleaning & Disinfecting Matrix**, provides a template that can be completed by the EVS Supervisor to include facility specific information including transmission-based precaution signs, disinfectant products, PPE and directions on practicing proper cleaning and disinfection.

New! Online Opportunities

SPARK THE CONVERSATION: FRONTLINE FIRESIDE CHATS

- The PA Project Firstline Infection Preventionists will answer your burning infection prevention questions!
- These Fireside Chats will be available to **ALL** Frontline Healthcare Workers
- Join to learn about and discuss infection prevention and control topics beginning on October 3, 2023, and every 1st Tuesday of each month at 12pm thereafter.

Register Today!

via QR Code or [Click Here](#)



FIRST LINE DEFENSE: LONG-TERM CARE INFECTION PREVENTION WEBINARS

- A new training series for frontline healthcare workers in the long-term care setting.
- Training topics including Risk Recognition, Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), Hand Hygiene, Infection Safety and more!
- Become part of the solution in preventing the spread of germs!

Register Today!

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This tool is also available in English and Spanish.

Click on your preferred language to access the tools!

Request a Training

PA Project Firstline provides in-person or virtual training for healthcare facilities and all types of frontline healthcare workers?

To request training for your facility, check out our training request form [here](#).

Request an Escape Room Training

The escape room is a live, interactive training where teams of 4-5 people will work together for 30 minutes to navigate Clutterbug's clever traps and help unite with Captain Germ-B-Gone to proclaim victory. Four stations cover hand hygiene, source control, cleaning and disinfection, and personal protective equipment (PPE) and reinforce specific infection prevention and control objectives throughout. Does your facility have what it takes to get out and stay out of the escape room? If you're interested in bringing this training to your facility, contact the PA Project Firstline team at RA-DHFIRSTLINE@pa.gov.

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Celebrate Environmental Services (EVS) Week

Environmental Services Week (September 10-16, 2023) is a time to show appreciation for the dedicated EVS personnel that ensure health care facilities throughout the country are clean and safe places for patients, their families, and other staff members. Thank you to all PA EVS staff who are so critical to the practice of Infection Prevention and Control!



New Project Firstline Micro-Learn Training Resources

Micro-learn training resources are brief, in person trainings that educate your team on a variety of infection control topics. These tools can be easily incorporated into your next team meeting, huddle or any staff gathering opportunity. The Micro-Learns are a series of guided discussions which provide on-the-job infection control reminders and education so that all types of healthcare workers can recognize infection risks and take action to stop the spread of germs. Each resource includes a Job Aid, a one-page visual to share after each use, and a User Guide, which provides notes and tips to the facilitator. Currently, there are two Micro-Learns available, Blood and Rash. Additional topics will be rolled out in the coming months. To access the Micro-Learns and other Project Firstline educational content go to Infection Control Training Toolkits.

