



Who, What, Why and How... The Fundamentals of an Infection Prevention Program for Nursing Home Staff 2 Day Workshop

October 16 & 17, 2019
Mass Senior Care Office, Waltham
9:00 am – 3:30 pm
(Registration begins at 8:30 am)

Program Description:

Staff and health care providers in nursing homes play a crucial role in protecting residents and themselves. The better prepared you are, the safer an environment you provide for you and your residents. **In Massachusetts, F800 Infection Prevention & Control is one of the top deficiencies cited by the Department of Public during annual surveys. Surveyors are concluding that facilities failed to use infection control practices in the following areas: handwashing, use of personal protective equipment (PPE), cleaning and storage of equipment and wound care to name a few.**

This training will teach participants about the key components of a nursing home infection prevention program, the prevention bundles necessary to break the chain of infection, and strategies to ensure program success. Participants will learn what their role is in preventing infections, how to select and use personal protective equipment, when to apply transmission-based precautions, and the steps for proper cleaning and disinfection of the resident care environment. Evidence-based practice, national guidelines, and regulatory standards will be presented along with the epidemiology of emerging pathogens and other disease-causing organisms.

In addition, the Department of Public Health will review reporting requirements, most commonly reported infections and MDROs seen in Massachusetts nursing homes as well as a review of the ICAR assessments completed in the state.

Don't miss this information packed two-day seminar to learn practical techniques that are effective in preventing the spread of infections.

Objectives

At the conclusion of this seminar, participants will:

- Identify the key components of an infection prevention and control program.
- Discuss the roles and responsibilities of front-line staff, staff development, and unit managers in infection prevention and control.
- Demonstrate appropriate use of personal protective equipment.
- Describe 4 different types of transmission-based precautions and when to apply them.
- Discuss the role of the environment in transmission of infection.
- Identify emerging pathogens and organisms that cause healthcare-associated infections.

Program Presenter

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Target Audiences: Front-line Staff, Staff Development, Unit Managers, Housekeeping Staff/Managers

This training is not for Infection Prevention Control Officers and does not meet the specific requirements outlined by CMS for this position. (Attendance is limited to 64 due to room capacity)

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CEUs – 12.0

12 CEUs will be awarded for Nurses and Nursing Home Administrators. The Massachusetts Senior Care Association has qualified for “deemed status #NH-09015-007” from the Board of Registration of Nursing Home Administrators for Administrators. This program also meets continuing education requirements for Nurses in Massachusetts. All paid registrants will receive a certificate of attendance.

Fees: (Must be paid in full prior to attending seminar)

\$ 250 - Mass Senior Care Association Member

\$ 400 - Non-member

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