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Healthcare-Associated Infections Multidisciplinary Group

Wednesday, May 04, 2016, 9-110 am
Connecticut Hospital Association (CHA)
110 Barnes Road, Wallingford, CT 06492

Voting Members Present: Dale Cunningham, Louise-Marie Dembry, Alison Hong, Brenda Grant, Wendy Furniss, Jack Ross, Jacqueline Murillo, Ray Andrews, Lynne Garner, Jean Rexford

Present via Telephone: Ellen Edge, Sharon Hospital

Members Excused: Carl Schiessl

Liaison Members present: Lauren Backman, David Banach, Johnathan Best, Evelyn Carusillo, Tracy Creatore, Carol Dietz, Meghan Maloney, Richard Melchreit, Noelisa Montero, Kathryn Cusano, Mag Morelli, Brenda Nurse, Julie Petrellis, Roza Tammer, Rachel Crosby, William Gerrish, Paul Gentile

New To Meeting: Brenda Nurse, MD, Hosp. Special Care, Ellen Edge, Sharon Hospital

Issues Heard:

- Call to Order and Roll Call
- Welcome new members
- Approval of February 03, 2016 HAI Meeting Minutes
- Update on Conducting CT "Frontline Hospital" Site Visit Ebola Assessments
- Update on Inventory of CT Healthcare Facilities
- Update on DPH HAI Program Educational Activities
- Update on HAI subcommittee – Facility Definition establishing
- Presentation on NHSN Targeted Assessment for Prevention (TAP) Reports
- Update on 2015- 2016 Qualidigm- QIO HAI-related Projects
- Update on 2015 – 2016 CT Center for Patient Safety HAI-related projects

Agenda Item	Presenter	Discussion		Responsible Person(s)	Due Date
Welcome and Call to Order	R. Melchreit CT DPH HAI Program Coordinator	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am by Dr. Rich Melchreit. - Minutes for February 03, 2015 meeting were unanimously approved as written. - Roll call was heard including members who were in attendance, via telephone. 		R. Melchreit	
New Member Welcome	CT DPH HAI Program	In an effort to expand the Healthcare Associated Infections (HAI) Advisory Committee, letters of invitation were sent to several healthcare agencies. Several other invited liaison members responded to the invitation to join the committee but were unable to attend.	Informational only	L. Backman DPH HAI Staff	
Old Business	Presenter	Discussion			
	L. Backman	<p>CDC Ebola Supplemental Funding to ELC (Epidemiology & Laboratory Capacity) State Plan to develop and implement Healthcare Infection Control Assessment and Response (ICAR)</p> <p>L. Backman gave a brief over view of the Ebola Supplemental Funding from the CDC's Infection Control Assessment and Response (ICAR) Program received by the CT DPH HAI Program.</p> <p>The purpose of the funding is to augment the state's HAI plan, create a facility inventory of all CT health care settings and facilities, and identify infection control readiness, and mitigate infection control gaps that are identified</p> <p>There are 26 frontline acute care hospitals (ACH) that will require a site visit and 3 long term acute care facilities, 12 ACHs have been scheduled at this point. The goal is to expand the assessment beyond Ebola readiness to include infection prevention preparedness for other serious infectious diseases. After 5-6 ACHs have been visited a small group meeting will be planned to address identified gaps.</p> <p>Lauren spoke at a meeting for Long Term Care IPs and has been asked to present information to Athena Corporation</p>	<p>State Plan Developed and submitted 10/01/2015</p> <p>Expand HAI/HAG Advisory Group</p>	<p>L. Backman, DPH HAI staff</p> <p>HAI/HAG</p>	Ongoing

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		Discussion, Evaluation & Decision on next types of CT healthcare facilities to conduct ICAR assessments (see attached slides)			
	L. Backman CT DPH HAI Program	<p>Nursing Homes will be required to report C-diff cases to NHSN in the near future.</p> <p>C. Dietz QIO/CMS will be enrolling 30-40 facilities (star 1 & 2 status) to begin the process.</p> <p>Discussion ensued regarding what type of facility should be assessed after ACHs have been completed.</p> <p>Consensus was to assess a sample of nursing homes with a star 1 through star 5 status, excluding the ones C. Dietz will be working with. This would be a good time to start a relationship with the nursing homes and help them prepare for future reporting requirements.</p> <p>M. Maloney stated that a future project with nursing homes will be antibiotic usage.</p>	Continue mapping CT healthcare facilities	L. Backman	Ongoing
HAI Trainings	L. Backman, CT DPH HAI Program	<p>CT DPH HAI Program Trainings:</p> <p>L. Backman informed the Committee of the following trainings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CT DPH HAI Program Training for ACH/LTAC on 2016 NHSN Definitions: March 30/April 13,2016 - Long Term Care Nurses of CT: Annual Meeting, April 15, 2016 at Aqua Turf, Southington, CT - APIC National 2016, Charlotte, NC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - "Lessons Learned from CT State Health Department Data Validation" 	Informational Only	L. Backman	

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	C. Dietz	Regional based (6 states) quality improvement organizations covering New England with representative from in each state working on CLABSI, CAUTI, CDI, VAE. Helping ACHs to reduce infection rates, hospitals volunteer to be part of the project. Currently working with 9 CT hospitals. NHSN antimicrobial use measure to compare hospital antibiotic prescribing to national benchmark may become final rule in August. Nursing Home reporting for CMS: QIO will be required to have 15% of nursing homes enrolled.	Informational Only:	C. Dietz	
Agenda Item	Presenter	Update on 2015 – 2016 CT Center for Patient Safety HAI-related projects		Responsible Person(s)	Due Date
	J. Rexford	J. Rexford displayed a hospital gown that is available with “hands” on it to help increase hand hygiene and it would also encourage patients to speak up and remind staff to perform hand hygiene. A. Hong is going to present gown at CT IP meeting.	Informational Only:	J. Rexford	
		2016 Quarterly Meeting Dates:			
2016 HAI Committee Meeting Dates	R. Melchreit, CT DPH Program	Meetings will be held from 9-11 am at CHA Wallingford, CT <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • February 3, 2016 • May 4, 2016 • August 3, 2016 • November 2, 2016 – (Location TBD) 	Informational Only	R. Melchreit	
Adjournment	L. Dembry	A motion was made to adjourn, all members accepted.			
Attachments		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. DPH Advisory Committee Meeting: May 4, 2016 (Power Point)- L. Backman 2. CT HAI Advisory Committee February 3, 2015 meeting minutes. 3. HAI 2015 Data Update: TAP Reports (Power Point)-R. Tammer 			

Ongoing 2015-2016 Initiatives to be Discussed and Finalized 2015-2016

Actual Date of Completion

1. 2010-2014 & updated 2015-2019 CT HAI State Plan	Completed: October 1, 2015
2. 2015 CT Infection Prevention Survey	Completed: September 15, 2015
3 Assessing hospitals for Ebola readiness	Ongoing
4. Facility inventory of CT healthcare facilities	Ongoing
5. CT DPH Healthcare Quality & Safety (Regulations & Facility Licensing) State Surveys for IC gaps.	Completed for ACH: September 15, 2015 50% Completed for LTC (nursing home): 11/01/15
6. CT DPH HAI Outbreak Reporting Plan	Ongoing