

Options for Infection Control Training in Nursing Homes



PATIENT SAFETY

National Infection Control Education Opportunities

Title of Training	Description	Details
Certificate Programs		
CDC Training Infection Preventionist Training (Required) Learn More	The Nursing Home Infection Preventionist Training course is designed for individuals responsible for Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) programs in nursing homes. The course was produced by Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in collaboration with the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). This training was originally located at www.QIOProgram.org .	Posted Spring 2019
Targeted COVID-19 Training for Nursing Homes (Required) Learn More Surveyor Training Learn More	Provides steps required to get a certificate for the Targeted COVID-19 Training for Frontline Nursing Home Staff and Management. Using the portal for the CMS Surveyor Training, this is offered for two groups – leadership and front line staff – and the 10 modules are self-paced and available 24/7.	Posted August 2020
ToolKits		
Head to Toe (H2T) Infection Prevention Toolkit Learn More	The Head to Toe Infection (H2T) Prevention Toolkit contains educational materials and practical tools to support the clinical team in providing person-centered care that helps prevent and control common infections like pneumonia, skin infections, and urinary tract infections. The Toolkit aims to educate licensed nurses and nurse aides on infection prevention practices and provides seven tools that can be integrated into their daily work.	Posted November 2019
On-Demand Webinars		
IHI COVID 19 Huddles Learn More	Access connection information, recordings, slides and resources on Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI)'s private web page. Individuals must be registered and logged in to view the page. For those who have just enrolled, it may take up to 24 hours to gain access. Funded by Hartford Foundation with IHI. All sessions and materials are recorded and posted.	Started April 2020; Occurs Tuesdays and Thursdays at 12:00 p.m. EST
Comprehensive National Nursing Home Training Learn More	Comprehensive National Nursing Home Training offers intensive, fast-track instruction on infection prevention and control tailored to nursing homes located in areas with increasing COVID-19 infection rates.	Recording of the 5 training calls held in July 2020

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<p>CMS-CDC Fundamentals of COVID-19 Prevention for Nursing Home Management</p> <p>Learn More</p>	<p>A series of 13 topics that your nursing home partners must know to manage the COVID-19 pandemic. These trainings are available on-demand with 24/7 access.</p> <p>New, pre-recorded trainings will be released every Thursday at 4:00 p.m. EST through September 2020. Live Q&A sessions will be held twice a month through January 2021 to help nursing homes stay on-track with the self-paced trainings.</p>	<p>Made available August 2020; Trainings every Thursday 4:00 p.m. EST through September 2020; Q&A held 2x/month through January</p>
<p>ECHO Institute COVID-19 Action Network</p> <p>Learn More</p>	<p>Project ECHO is convening a conversation with faculty from Project ECHO at UNM Health Sciences Center and experts on quality improvement and infection control in nursing homes as part of a pilot initiative focused on supporting nursing homes and their COVID-19 response.</p> <p>Three mini-webinars were held to introduce the work with the nursing homes. Planning for 16 sessions to be held weekly for 90 minutes; then 36 weeks of weekly coaching calls. Nursing home is to provide a team of four personnel including the Medical Director for participation and \$6,000 will be provided to compensate for the time of the staff for this training.</p>	<p>Webinars started in August 2020</p>

Alliant Quality Infection Control Education Opportunities

(Available only to recruited nursing homes)

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Live/Recorded Webinars		
<p>Shop Talks</p> <p>Learn More</p>	<p>Alliant Quality provides technical assistance for data submission into the CDC's NHSN database for COVID-19, CDI, UTI and Hand Hygiene.</p>	<p>Occurs monthly on 3rd Thursday at 2:00 p.m. EST</p>
<p>Quickinars</p> <p>Learn More</p>	<p>Alliant Quality hosts 30-minute quality improvement webinars about pertinent infection prevention topics.</p>	<p>Occurs biweekly through Oct 28th</p>
<p>Alliant Quality Infection Control Affinity Group Training</p> <p>Learn More</p>	<p>These sessions are held every other week for all nursing homes involved in the Targeted Response Quality Improvement Initiative (TR QII) work. They are open to others who are interested in learning about how Infection Control and Quality Improvement intersect. These sessions are recorded and available on the Alliant Quality YouTube Channel.</p>	<p>Started August 2020 – live through October and recorded for later use</p>
Consultation (Recruited Nursing Homes)		
<p>One-to-One Consultation</p> <p>Learn More</p>	<p>Available to recruited nursing homes identified by CMS for technical assistance.</p>	<p>Started November 2019</p>
<p>Targeted Response Quality Improvement Initiatives (QII)</p> <p>Learn More</p>	<p>These CMS-directed Targeted Response Quality Improvement Initiative (QII) opportunities are three-six month technical assistance coaching opportunities for one-on-one education regarding infection control practices. Nursing Homes selected by CMS will be supported and guided by the QIO throughout 2025.</p>	<p>Started April 2020</p>