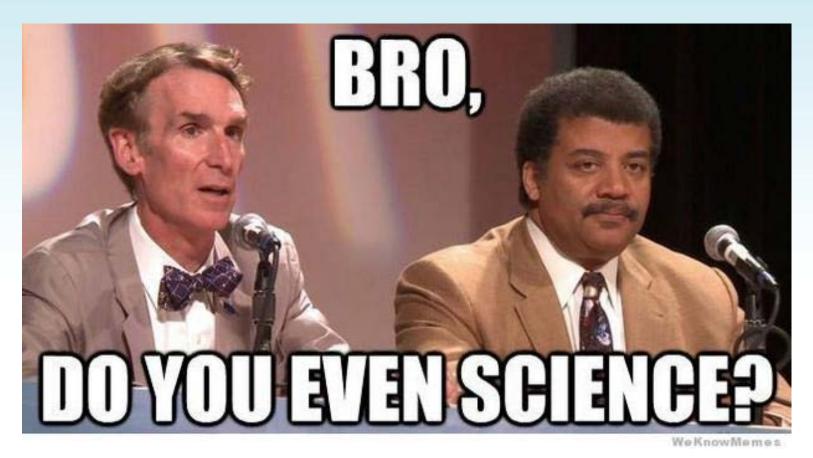


# Germ Warfare: The Work of an Infection Preventionist

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# What is an Infection Preventionist (IP)?

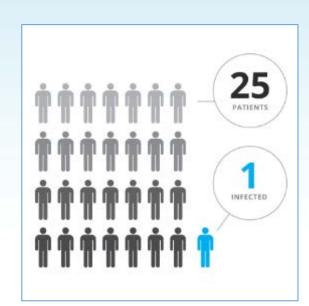
Using medical science and peer reviewed research, an IP observes and recommends specific healthcare practice to prevent transmission of infectious organisms. IPs collect and analyze data to follow prevention practices and outcomes.



#### Is There a Need for an IP?

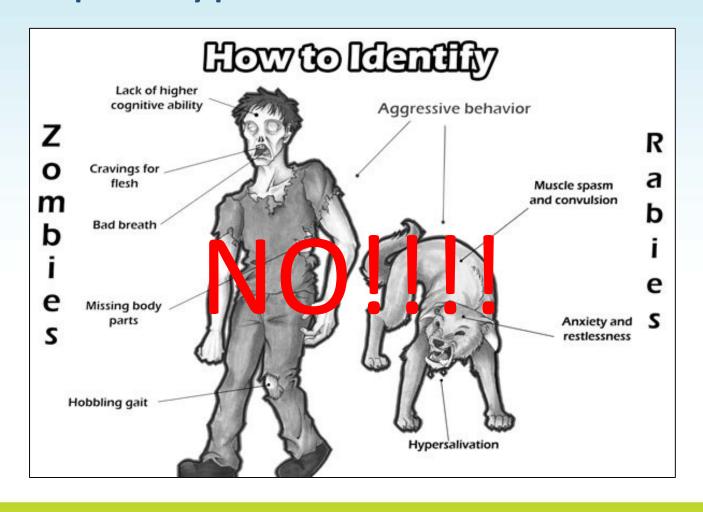
The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reports that approximately 1 in 25 hospital patients has had at least one healthcare-associated infection and 75,000 hospital patients died from healthcare-associated infections in 2011.

 4<sup>th</sup> leading cause of death in the US after heart disease, cancer, and stroke





# Do We Prevent a Zombie Apocalypse?





#### Career Growth Potential

- The BLS projects overall growth for epidemiologists, whether nurses or others employed in hospitals and non-hospital settings, to be between 20% and 28% in the next 10 years.
- Demand for Infection Preventionists is projected to grow faster than other occupations.



### Three Education Paths

Registered Nurse (RN) 4 Year Bachelor's Degree

Licensure

Medical Technologist (MT)

4 Year Bachelor's Degree

**ASCP** 

**Epidemiologist** 

4 Year Bachelor's of Science Degree

Master's of Public Health



#### Career Data

# Duration of employment in infection control and prevention

- Less than 2 years 10%
- 2-5 years 32%
- 6-10 years 24%
- 11-15 years 13%
- 16-20 years 7%
- More than 20 years 14%

# Degrees and certifications in infection control

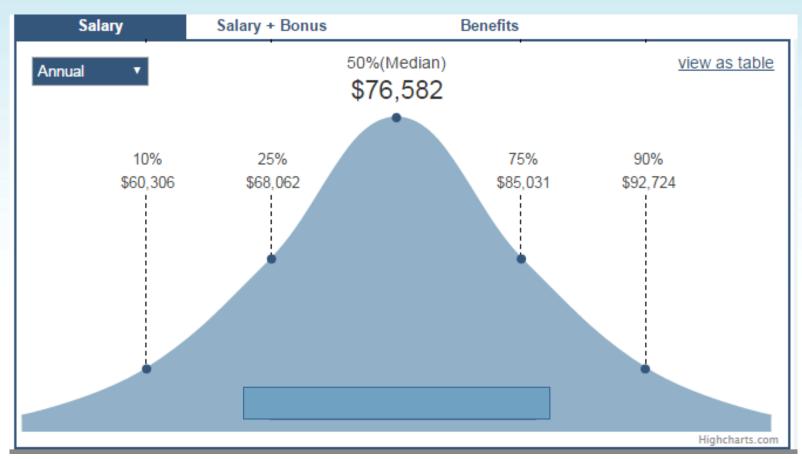
- Baccalaureate degree 45%
- Master's degree or above 32%
- CIC certified 50%
  - Of those not certified, 77% are planning on becoming certified

#### **Professional background**

- Nursing 82%
- Microbiology/laboratory 11%



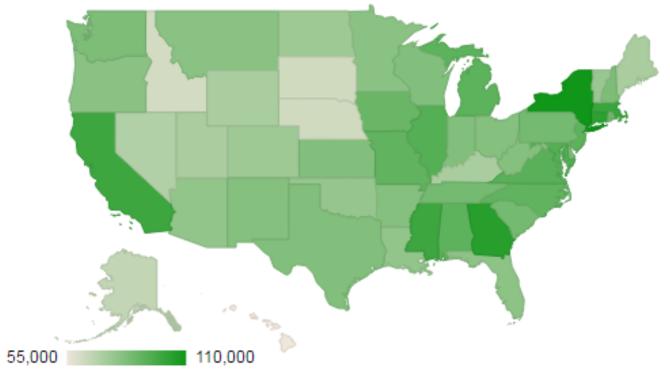
#### Career Growth Potential





#### Career Growth Potential

#### **Average Salaries Across The Country**



http://www.careersinpublichealth.net/careers/infection-preventionist



### To Love Your Job as an IP

#### Have an interest in:

- Infectious Disease
- Statistics
- Investigation
- Immunization
- Public Health
- Food Safety
- Laboratory
- Cleanliness
- Education
- Definitions (black and white)
- Non-patient care
  - But still talking with patients and families
- Addressing all staff in the hospital, from C-suite administration to housekeeping





### Job Satisfaction



- Flexibility: work/life balance
  - Satisfactory salary/benefits
- Job security
- Work itself sense of accomplishment
- Working conditions
  - Career advancement
  - Career transition
  - Decision making opportunities







# Where can you be an IP?



CONTROL AND PREVENTION

Indiana State Department of Health

PIPEATIENT SURGER OF



CONSULTANT



Sales



# My Personal Career Path



#### Microbiologist

- 2 Years
- Contract with Lab Support
- Marion County Health Dept.
- Indiana State Health Dept.



# Immunization Educator

- 2 Years
- Indiana State Health Dept.



#### **Epidemiologist**

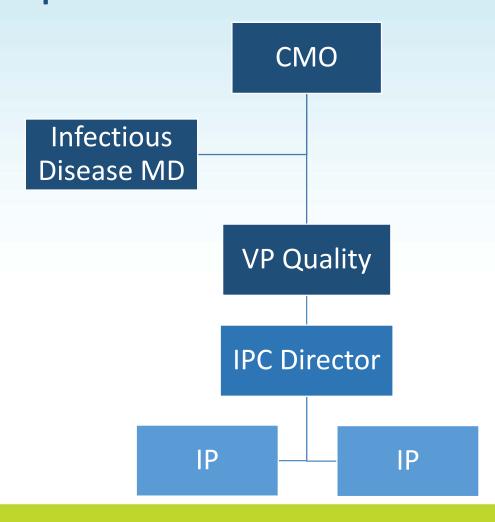
- 2 Years
- Indiana State Health Dept.



- 8+ Years
- Eskenazi Health



# The Infection Prevention & Control Department





#### **Basic Skills**

- Microsoft Office Suite
  - Word
  - Excel
  - PowerPoint
  - Access
  - Outlook
  - Publisher
- SharePoint
- Statistical software
- Webpage design
- Public speaking
  - Educating healthcare workers, patients, and visitors
  - Health fairs internal and external





# Development and Certification



 You have a post-secondary degree (e.g. associates'\* or baccalaureate degree) from an accredited academic facility.

#### **AND**

- You have had sufficient experience (recommended: two years) in infection prevention and control which includes all <a href="three">three</a> (3) of the following:
  - Identification of infectious disease processes
  - Surveillance and epidemiologic investigation
  - Preventing and controlling the transmission of infectious agents
  - And at least two (2) of the remaining five (5) components:
  - Employee/occupational health
  - Management and communication
  - Education and research
  - Environment of care
  - Cleaning, sterilization, disinfection, and asepsis



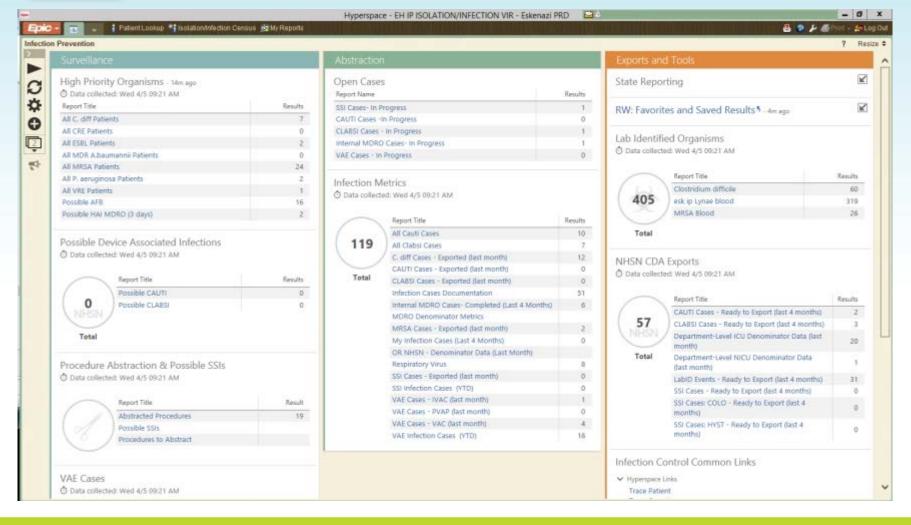
# Routine Day

- Review all infections posted to EPIC dashboard
- Report communicable diseases
- Attend meetings
- Touch base with IPC team
- Conduct rounds and auditing
- Add data
- Conduct peer-reviewed research





# Daily Surveillance - EPIC





# Internal Partnerships

- Occupational Health
- Environmental Services
- Facilities
- Laboratory
- Dietary
- Inpatient Units
- Outpatient Clinics
- Surgery
- Ancillary Services





# External Partnerships

- Joint Commission
- CMS
- CDC NHSN
- State Health Department
- County Health Departments
- Other area hospitals
- Reference Laboratories
- Coalition for Patient Safety







# Hand Hygiene







# Looming Threat of Antibiotic Resistance

# ANTIBIOTIC RESISTANCE THREATS in the United States, 2013





Estimated minimum number of illnesses and deaths caused by antibiotic resistance\*:

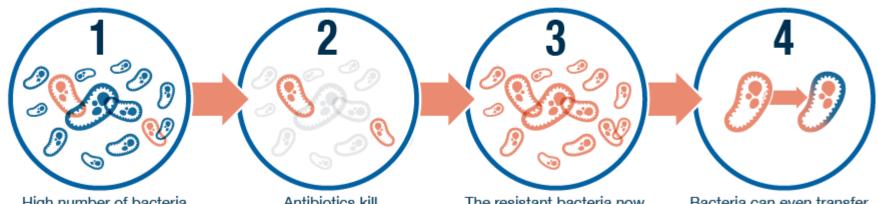
At least **2,049,442** illnesses, **23,000** deaths

\*bacteria and fungus included in this report



# Multi-drug Resistant Organisms (MDROs)

#### How does antibiotic resistance occur?



High number of bacteria.

A few of them are resistant to antibiotics.

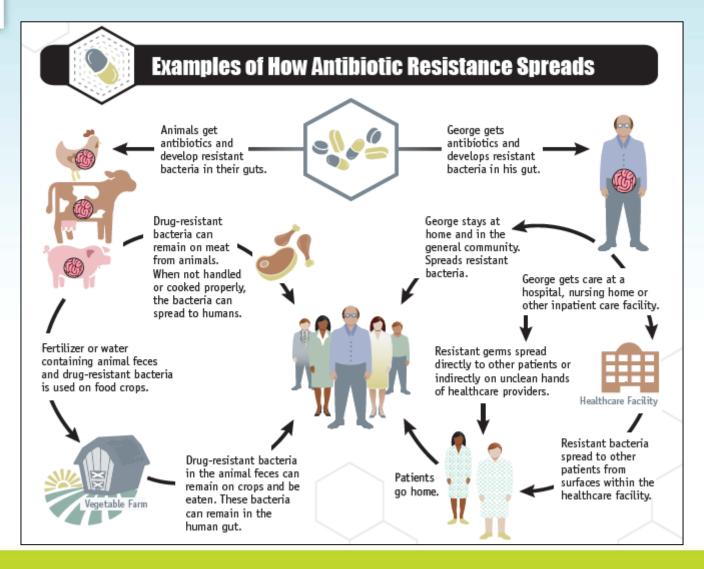
Antibiotics kill
bacteria causing the illness,
as well as good bacteria
protecting the body
from infection.

The resistant bacteria now have preferred conditions to grow and take over.

Bacteria can even transfer their drug-resistance to other bacteria, causing more problems.













#### CANCER CHEMOTHERAPY

People receiving chemotherapy are often at risk for developing an infection when their white blood cell count is low. For these patients, any infection can quickly become serious and effective antibiotics are critical for protecting the patient from severe complications or death.

#### **COMPLEX SURGERY**

Patients who receive cardiac bypass, joint replacements, and other complex surgeries are at risk of a surgical site infection (SSI). These infections can make recovery from surgery more difficult because they can cause additional illness, stress, cost, and even death. For some, but not all surgeries, antibiotics are given before surgery to help prevent infections.



#### RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS

Inflammatory arthritis affects the immune system, which controls how well the body fights off infections. People with certain types of arthritis have a higher risk of getting infections. Also, many medications given to treat inflammatory arthritis can weaken the immune system. Effective antibiotics help ensure that arthritis patients can continue to receive treatment.

#### DIALYSIS FOR END-STAGE RENAL DISEASE

Patients who undergo dialysis treatment have an increased risk for getting a bloodstream infection. In fact, bloodstream infections are the second leading cause of death in dialysis patients. Infections also complicate heart disease, the leading cause of death in diaysis patients. Infection risk is higher in these patients because they have weakened immune systems and often require catheters or needles to enter their bloodstream. Effective antibiotics help ensure that dialysis patients can continue to receive life-saving treatment.



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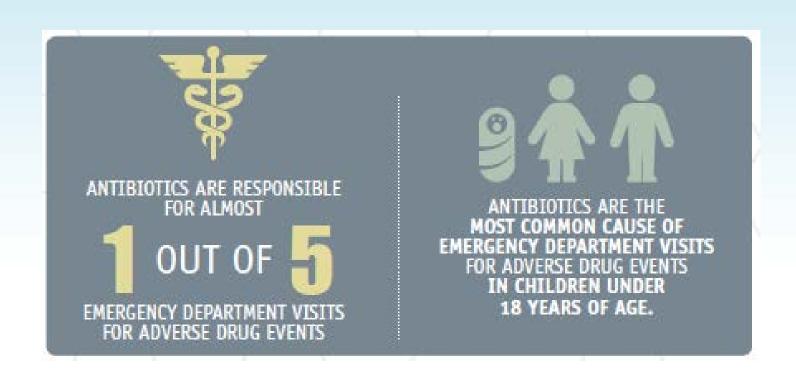
#### ORGAN AND BONE MARROW TRANSPLANTS

Transplant recipients are more vulnerable to infections. Because a patient undergoes complex surgery and receives medicine to weaken the immune system for a year or more, the risk of infection is high. It is estimated that 1% of organs transplanted in the United States each year carry a disease that comes from the donor—either an infection or cancer. Effective antibiotics help ensure that organ transplants remain possible.





# **Antibiotic Safety**







#### GAPS IN KNOWLEDGE OF ANTIBIOTIC RESISTANCE

LIMITED NATIONAL, STATE, AND FEDERAL CAPACITY TO DETECT AND RESPOND TO URGENT AND EMERGING ANTIBIOTIC RESISTANCE THREATS



Even for critical pathogens of concern like carbapenemresistant Enterobacteriaceae (CRE) and Neisseria gonorrhoeae, we do not have a complete picture of the domestic incidence, prevalence, mortality, and cost of resistance.

#### CURRENTLY, THERE IS NO SYSTEMATIC INTERNATIONAL SURVEILLANCE OF ANTIBIOTIC RESISTANCE THREATS



Today, the international identification of antibiotic resistance threats occurs through domestic importation of novel antibiotic resistance threats or through identification of overseas outbreaks.

#### DATA ON ANTIBIOTIC USE IN HUMAN HEALTHCARE AND IN AGRICULTURE ARE NOT SYSTEMATICALLY COLLECTED



Routine systems of reporting and benchmarking antibiotic use wherever it occurs need to be piloted and scaled nationwide.

#### PROGRAMS TO IMPROVE ANTIBIOTIC PRESCRIBING ARE NOT WIDELY USED IN THE UNITED STATES



These inpatient and outpatient programs hold great promise for reducing antibiotic resistance threats, improving patient outcomes, and saving healthcare dollars.

#### ADVANCED TECHNOLOGIES CAN IDENTIFY THREATS MUCH FASTER THAN CURRENT PRACTICE

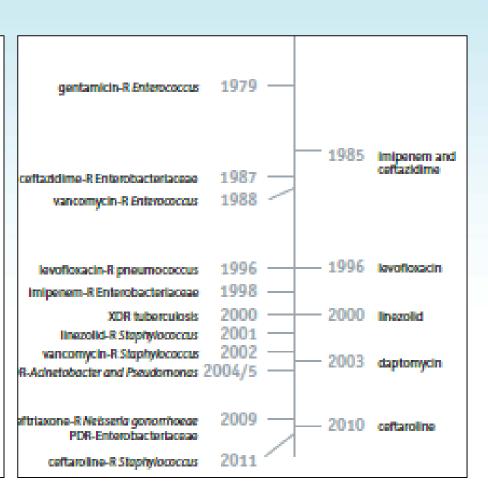


Advanced molecular detection (AMD) technologies, which can identify AR threats much faster than current practice, are not being used as widely as necessary in the United States.





| ANTIBIOTIC RESISTANCE<br>INDENTIFIED                      |        | ANTIBIOTIC<br>INTRODUCED |                              |
|---|--------|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| penicillin-R Staphylococcus                               | 1940 — | — 1943                   | penicillin                   |
|   |        |                          | tetracycline<br>erythromycin |
| tetracycline-R Shigeila<br>methicillin-R Staphylococcus   |        | 1960                     | methicillin                  |
| penicillin-R pneumococcus<br>erythromycin-R Streptococcus | 1965 — | 1967                     | gentamicin                   |
|   |        |                          | vancomycin                   |







#### PREVENTING INFECTIONS. PREVENTING THE SPREAD OF RESISTANCE



Avoiding infections in the first place reduces the amount of antibiotics that have to be used and reduces the likelihood that resistance will develop during therapy. There are many ways that drug-resistant infections can be prevented: immunization, safe food preparation, handwashing, and using antibiotics as directed and only when necessary. In addition, preventing infections also prevents the spread of resistant bacteria.

#### TRACKING



CDC gathers data on antibiotic-resistant infections, causes of infections and whether there are particular reasons (risk factors) that caused some people to get a resistant infection. With that information, experts can develop specific strategies to prevent those infections and prevent the resistant bacteria from spreading.

#### IMPROVING ANTIBIOTIC PRESCRIBING/STEWARDSHIP



Perhaps the single most important action needed to greatly slow down the development and spread of antibiotic-resistant infections is to change the way antibiotics are used. Up to half of antibiotic use in humans and much of antibiotic use in animals is unnecessary and inappropriate and makes everyone less safe. Stopping even some of the inappropriate and unnecessary use of antibiotics in people and animals would help greatly in slowing down the spread of resistant bacteria. This commitment to always use antibiotics appropriately and safely-only when they are needed to treat disease, and to choose the right antibiotics and to administer them in the right way in every case—is known as antibiotic stewardship.

#### DEVELOPING NEW DRUGS AND DIAGNOSTIC TESTS

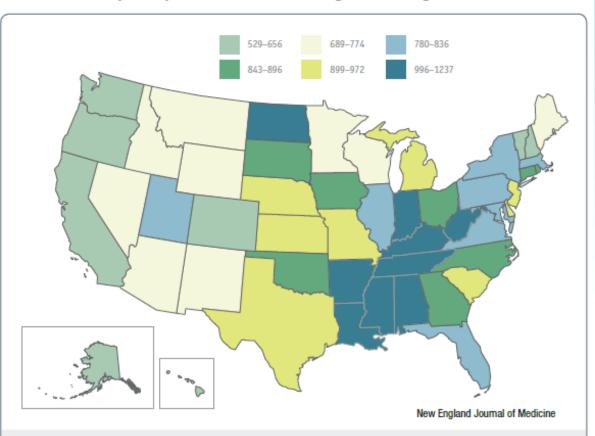


Because antibiotic resistance occurs as part of a natural process in which bacteria evolve, it can be slowed but not stopped. Therefore, we will always need new antibiotics to keep up with resistant bacteria as well as new diagnostic tests to track the development. of resistance.





#### Antibiotic Prescriptions per 1000 Persons of All Ages According to State, 2010



The frequency with which doctors prescribe antibiotics varies greatly from state to state. The reasons for this variation are being studied and might suggest areas where improvements in antibiotic prescribing (fewer unnecessary prescriptions) would be most helpful.



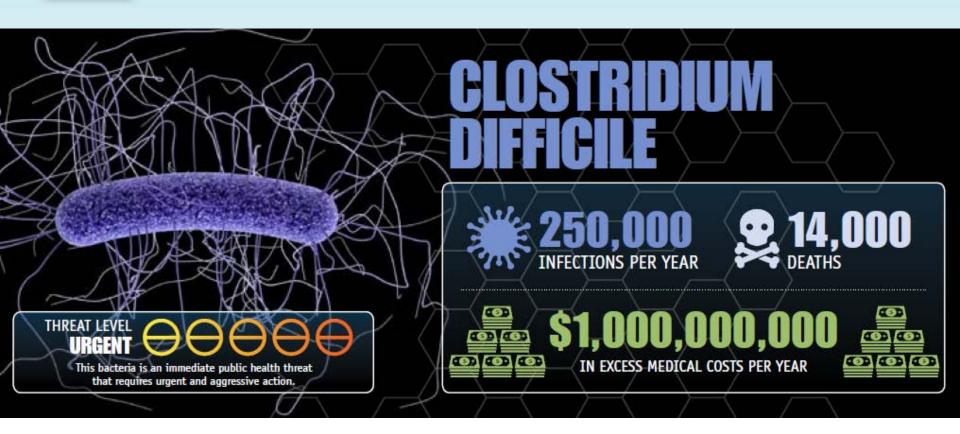
# HAZARD LEVEL URGENT

These are high-consequence antibiotic-resistant threats because of significant risks identified across several criteria. These threats may not be currently widespread but have the potential to become so and require urgent public health attention to identify infections and to limit transmission.

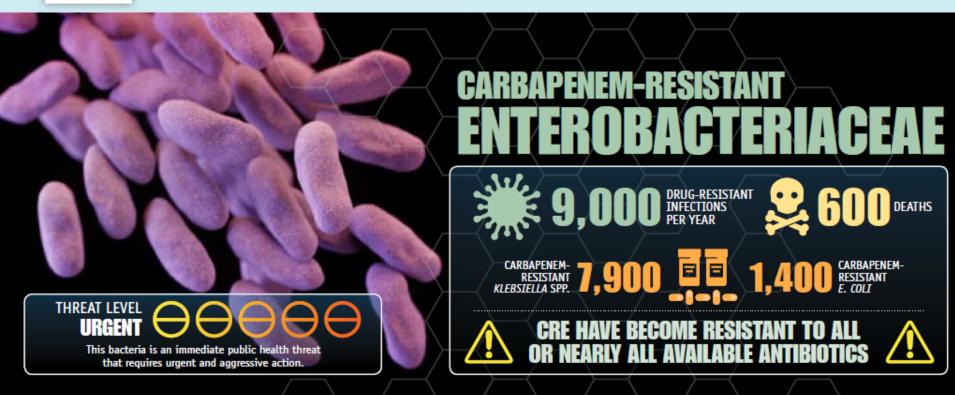
Clostridium difficile (C. difficile), Carbapenem-resistant Enterobacteriaceae (CRE), Drug-resistant Neisseria gonorrhoeae (cephalosporin resistance)

















#### Antibiotic Resistance

# HAZARD LEVEL SERIOUS

These are significant antibiotic-resistant threats. For varying reasons (e.g., low or declining domestic incidence or reasonable availability of therapeutic agents), they are not considered urgent, but these threats will worsen and may become urgent without ongoing public health monitoring and prevention activities.

Multidrug-resistant Acinetobacter, Drug-resistant Campylobacter, Fluconazole-resistant Candida (a fungus), Extended spectrum β-lactamase producing Enterobacteriaceae (ESBLs), Vancomycin-resistant Enterococcus (VRE), Multidrug-resistant Pseudomonas aeruginosa, Drug-resistant Non-typhoidal Salmonella, Drug-resistant Salmonella Typhi, Drug-resistant Shigella, Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA), Drug-resistant Streptococcus pneumonia, Drug-resistant tuberculosis (MDR and XDR)



#### Antibiotic Resistance

# CONCERNING CONCERNING

These are bacteria for which the threat of antibiotic resistance is low, and/ or there are multiple therapeutic options for resistant infections. These bacterial pathogens cause severe illness. Threats in this category require monitoring and in some cases rapid incident or outbreak response.

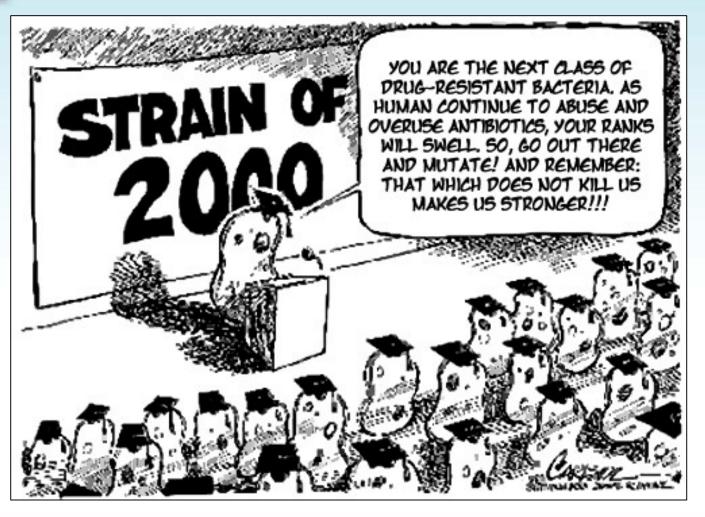
Vancomycin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (VRSA), Erythromycin-resistant *Streptococcus* Group A, Clindamycin-resistant *Streptococcus* Group B







#### Resistance





## Required HAI Surveillance

#### NHSN – CDC's National Healthcare Safety Network

- NHSN now serves over 17,000 medical facilities tracking HAIs.
- Current participants include acute care hospitals, long-term acute care hospitals, psychiatric hospitals, rehabilitation hospitals, outpatient dialysis centers, ambulatory surgery centers, and nursing homes.
  - Hospitals and dialysis facilities represent the majority of facilities.

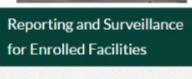
 NHSN is the conduit for facilities to comply with Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) infection reporting requirements.



reporting system in the U.S.







Training, protocols, forms, support materials, analysis resources and FAQs.



#### BSI - Surveillance for Bloodstream Infections

Central Line-Associated Bloodstream Infection (CLABSI) and non-central line-associated Bloodstream Infection

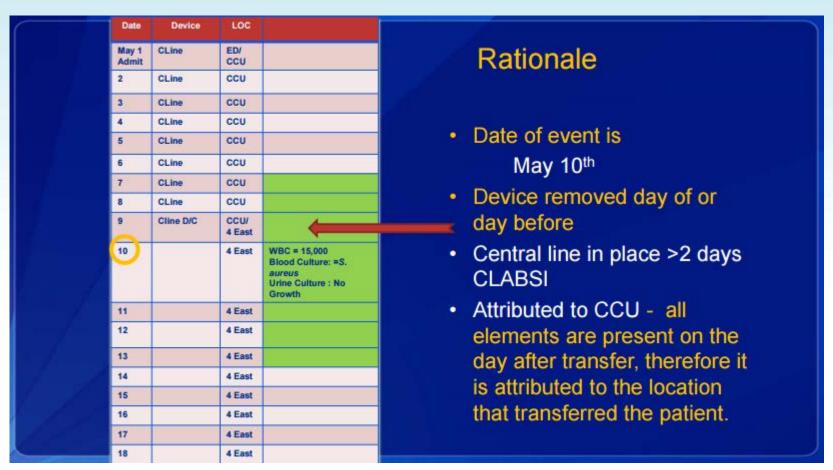
- Training
- Protocols
- Forms
- Support Materials
- Analysis Resources
- FAQs



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- 28% of acute care patients had a central line
- Estimated 41,000 CLABSI annually hospital-wide
  - 18,000 CLABSI in ICU
- 46% decrease in CLABSIs has occurred in hospitals across the U.S. from 2008-2013
- Cost varies: \$7,000 to \$29,000







#### **UTI - Surveillance for Urinary Tract Infections**

Catheter-Associated Urinary Tract Infection (CAUTI) and non-catheterassociated Urinary Tract Infection (UTI) and Other Urinary System Infection (USI)

- Training
- Protocols
- Forms
- Support Materials
- · Analysis Resources
- FAQs



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- 4<sup>th</sup> most common type of HAI
- Estimated 93,300 UTIs in hospitals 2011
- Approximately 12%-16% of adult hospital inpatients will have an indwelling urinary catheter at some time during their hospitalization
- Each day of an indwelling urinary, a patient has a 3%-7% increased risk of acquiring a CAUTI
- Estimated 13,000 deaths each year
- Cost varies: \$7,000 to \$29,000



Patient hospitalized > 2 days

Foley inserted > 2 days

Culture <100,000 cfus

Culture ≥100,000 cfus

+ blood culture

No UTI symptoms

Fever >100.4F or UTI symptoms within 7 days from date of event

**ABUTI** 

**CAUTI** 



#### VAE - Surveillance for Ventilator-associated Events

- \* In Plan Adult Locations
  Only
- Training
- Protocols
- Forms
- Support Materials
- · Analysis Resources
- FAQs



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- There is currently no valid, reliable definition for VAP, and even the most widely-used VAP criteria and definitions are neither sensitive nor specific
- Estimated more than 300,000 patients receive mechanical ventilation in the United States each year



#### Lab ID Infections

#### MDRO/C.Diff - Surveillance for C. difficile, MRSA, and other Drug-resistant Infections

- Training
- Protocols
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Multi-drug Resistant Organisms (MDROs)

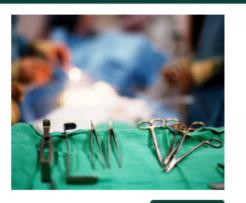
- LabID Event reporting option allows
   laboratory testing data to be used without clinical evaluation of the patient, and therefore is a much less labor-intensive
- Treatment is extremely limited
- MDRO infections are associated with increased lengths of stay, costs, and mortality
- Clostridium difficile (C. diff) is responsible for a spectrum of C. diff infections (CDI), including uncomplicated diarrhea, pseudomembranous colitis, and toxic megacolon, sepsis and even death
- Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA) can cause cellulitis, sepsis, osteomyelitis and even death



#### Surgical Site Infections

#### SSI - Surveillance for Surgical Site Infection Events

- Training
- Protocols
- Forms
- Support Materials
- · Analysis Resources
- FAQs



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- Colo-rectal surgeries
- Hysterectomies

- In 2010, an estimated 16 million operative procedures were performed in acute care
- SSIs were the most common healthcare-associated infection, accounting for 31% of all HAIs among hospitalized patients
- Estimated inpatient 157,500 surgical site infections associated with (2011)
- NHSN data included 16,147 SSIs following 849,659 operative procedures, for an overall SSI rate of 1.9% between 2006-2008
  - A 19% decrease in SSI related to 10 select procedures was reported between 2008 - 2013







## Audits and Rounding



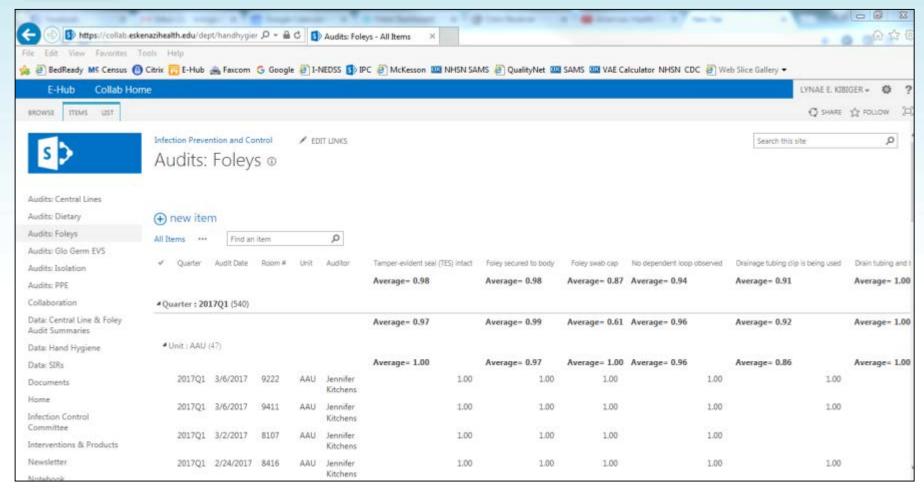


| In       | Instructions: 1. Chart review section is not required. 2. RN should be educated on any problem found. 3. Fax to IPC 880-0300 or enter on Sharepoint by end of the month. 3. If not audited, leave blank. 01.2016 |       |        |   |     |                |   |                                     |          |        |              |                           |            |                                      |                                      |          |
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| Auditor: |  |       |        | 'N/A if CBI                             |     |                |   |                                     |          |        |              |                           | /IEW       |                                      | Met today<br>(1-10)                  |          |
| #        | Dațe   | Room# | INROOM | Tamper-<br>evident seal<br>(TES) Intact |     | Foley swab cap |   | No<br>dependent<br>loop<br>observed | Drainage | DO LOW | not touching | Bag/Meter<br>filled < 50% | 15         | Criteria met<br>at time of<br>survey | Type of<br>Indication<br>(see below) | Comments |
|          | 1  |       | INROOM | Y N<br>N/A                              | Y N | Y              | N | Y N                                 | Y N      | Y N    | Y N          | Y N                       | ATT REVIEW | Y N                                  |                                      |          |
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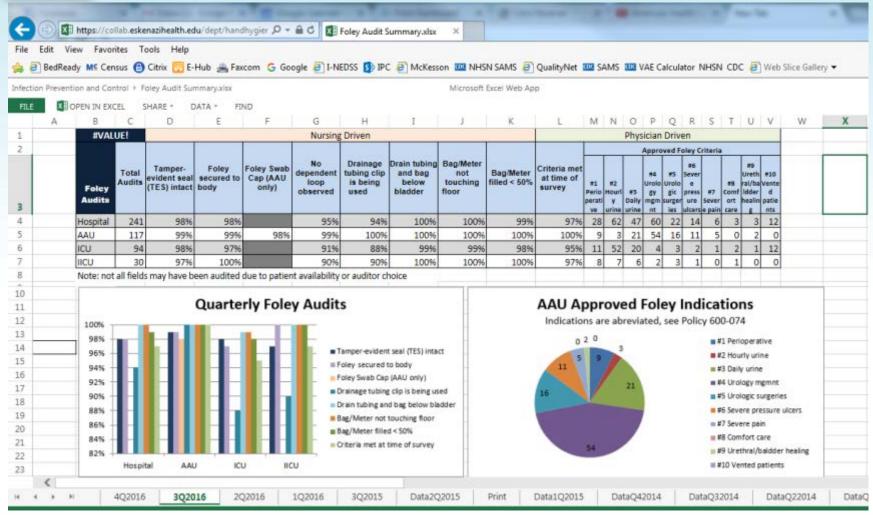
#### Approved indications for Foley usage:

- 1. Perioperative use for surgical procedures (remove by post-op day 2, except under circumstances listed below);
- 2. Hourly measurement of urine volume required to provide treatment (Ex: management of hemodynamic instability, hourly titration of fluids, drips (e.g., vasopressors, inotropes), or life-supportive therapy):
- 3. Daily (not hourly) measurement of urine volume that is required to provide treatment and cannot be assessed by other volumes and urine collection strategies
- (Ex: acute renal failure work-up, or acute IV or oral diuretic management, IV fluid management in respiratory or heart failure). Anuria is NOT an indication for a Foley;
- Management of acute urinary retention, neurogenic bladder, or bladder outlet obstruction;
   Urologic surgeries and procedures;
- 6. Stage III or IV or unstageable pressure ulcers or similarly severe wounds of other types that cannot be kept clear of urinary incontinence despite wound care and other urinary management strategies;
- 7. Reduce acute, severe pain with movement when other urine management strategies are difficult (Ex: acute unrepaired fracture or pelvic surgery); 8. Comfort care in terminally ill patients;
- Post-traumatic injury to permit urethral/bladder healing or to ensure immobilization;
- 10. For ventilated patients, the Foley will be considered appropriate if (1) the patient meets an above indication, or (2) if the patient's urinary output cannot be managed through other means and one of the following criteria are met: a. Weight ≥ 300 lbs, b. On paralytic agents, c. RASS -3 or lower, d. High ventilator requirements, e. Respiratory/hemodynamic instability with turning







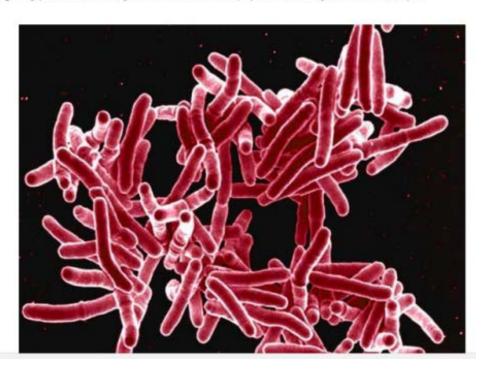




#### Exposures

## 150 Harborview staff, 45 patients may have been exposed to tuberculosis

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#### State Reportable Diseases

Report incidences of the following infections, diseases, or conditions to the Local Health Department — Phone Number:

> Reportable Communicable Diseases and Conditions for Health Care Providers, Hospitals, and Medical Laboratories Effective December 25, 2015 410 IAC 1-2.5-75 & 76

Report immediately on suspicion (!).

Report within 24 hours (\*). All others report within 72 hours or as noted.

Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (AIDS)

\*Animal Bites

Anaplasmosis (Anaplasma species)

! Anthrax (Bacillus anthracis)

! Arboviral (Eastern

Equine, St. Louis, La Crosse, West Nile, California, Western Equine, Powassan,

Babesiosis (Babesia species)

! Botulism (Clostridium botulinum)

! Brucellosis (Brucella species)

Campylobacteriosis (Campylobacter

Carbapenemase-producing Carbapenemresistant Enterobacteriaceae (CP-CRE)

Chancroid (Haemophilus ducreyi)

! Chikungunya virus

Chlamydia trachomatis, genital infection

! Cholera (Vibrio cholerae)

Coccidioidomycosis

Cryptosporidiosis (Cryptosporidium species)

Cyclosporiasis (Cyclospora cayetanensis) Cysticercosis (Taenia solium)

! Dengue

! Diphtheria (Corynebacterium diphtheriae)

! Eastern equine encephalitis (EEE)

Ehrlichiosis (Ehrlichia species)

! Escherichia coli infection (Shiga toxinproducing E. coli (STEC)) including, but not limited to:

> E. coli 0157: E. coli 0157:H7:

Shiga toxin detected: or Non-0157 E. coli

Giardiasis (Giardia species)

Gonorrhea (Neisseria gonorrheae)

Granuloma inguinale (Calymmatobacterium granulomatis)

\*Haemophilus influenzae, invasive disease Hansen's disease (leprosy) (Mycobacterium ! Hantavirus pulmonary syndrome ! Hemolytic uremic syndrome,

postdiarrheal ! Hepatitis, viral, Type A

Hepatitis, viral, Type B

! Hepatitis, viral, Type B, pregnant

woman (acute and chronic) or perinatally exposed infant

Hepatitis, viral, Type C (acute), within five (5) business days

Hepatitis, viral, Type Delta

! Hepatitis, viral, Type E

Hepatitis, viral, unspecified

Histoplasmosis (Histoplasma capsulatum)

related to HIV are laboratory reportable) Cryptococcus neoformans

Kaposi's sarcoma (biopsies) Pneumocvstis carinii

! HIV infection/disease, pregnant woman or perinatally exposed infant Influenza-associated death (all ages)

! Iapanese encephalitis

! La Crosse encephalitis (California

serogroup viruses) Legionellosis (Legionella species)

Leptospirosis (Leptospira species) Listeriosis (Listeria monocytogenes, invasive)

Lyme disease (Borrelia burgdorferi) Lymphogranuloma venereum

Malaria (Plasmodium species)

! Measles (Rubeola)

! Meningococcal disease (Neisseria meningitidis, invasive)

\*Mumps

\*Novel influenza A

\*Pertussis (Bordetella pertussis)

! Plague (Yersinia pestis)

! Poliomyelitis ! Powassan virus

Psittacosis (Chlamydia psittaci)

! O Fever (Coxiella burnetti) ! Rabies in humans or animals.

confirmed and suspect animal with human

Rabies, postexposure treatment

Rocky Mountain spotted fever (Rickettsia species)

! Rubella (German Measles)

! Rubella congenital syndrome

Salmonellosis, non-typhoidal (Salmonella species)

! Shigellosis (Shigella species)

! Smallpox (Variola infection)

Adverse events or complications due to smallpox vaccination (vaccinia virus infection) or secondary transmission to others after vaccination.

! St. Louis encephalitis (SLE)

HIV infection/disease (The following conditions Staphylococcus aureus, vancomycin resistance level of MIC ≥ 8 µg/mL or severe Staphylococcus aureus in a previously healthy person

Streptococcus pneumoniae, invasive disease and antimicrobial susceptibility

Streptococcus, Group A, invasive disease (Streptococcus pyogenes)

Syphilis (Treponema pallidum) Tetanus (Clostridium tetani)

Toxic shock syndrome (streptococcal or staphylococcal)

Trichinosis (Trichinella spiralis)

\*Tuberculosis, cases, suspects, and latent infection (Mycobacterium tuberculosis) For latent infection, a positive screening test, negative or normal chest x-ray, no evidence of extra-pulmonary disease, and provider diagnosis are necessary. Report latent infection within five (5) business days.

! Tularemia (Francisella tularensis)

! Typhoid and paratyphoid fever, cases and carriers (Salmonella Typhi or Paratyphi)

Typhus, endemic (flea-borne) Varicella (chicken pox) Vibriosis (Vibrio species)

! West Nile Virus (WNV) ! Western equine encephalitis (WEE)

! Yellow fever Yersiniosis (Yersinia species)





#### Outbreaks

## Watch Out for Endoscopes Linked to Superbug Outbreak, FDA Says

by MAGGIE FOX

uernberg, Germany in a 2012 file photo. Isa Foltin / Getty Images, file

A medical device linked to an outbreak of drug-resistant superbugs at a UCLA hospital is particularly hard to clean, the Food and Drug Administration said Thursday.

UCLA has contacted 179 people who may have been treated using a contaminated endoscope. Seven people were infected with a drug-resistant bacteria called CRE and two of them died after being treated using the devices.

The scopes — flexible tubes that carry a camera and other equipment into the body through the mouth — are specifically designed for procedures called endoscopic retrograde cholangiopancreatography (ERCP).

"Some parts of the scopes may be extremely difficult to access and effective cleaning of all areas of the duodenoscope may not be possible," the FDA said in a notice to medical professionals.

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# Responsibility to Report Outbreaks

#### Report incidences of the following infections, diseases, or conditions to the Local Health Department — Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

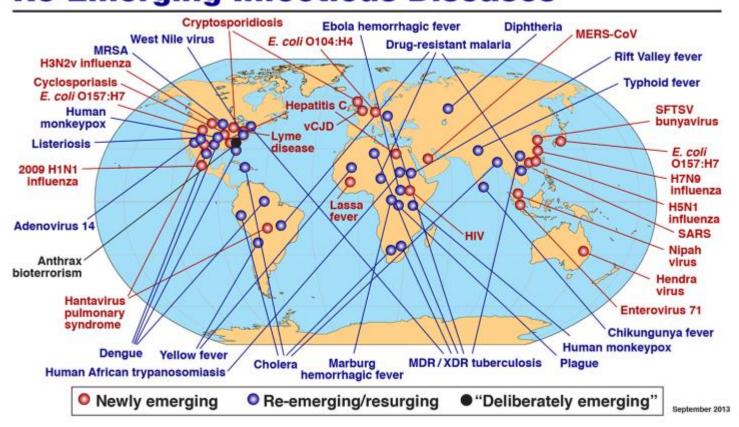
#### Immediately report outbreaks of any of the following upon suspicion:

- Any disease required to be reported under this section
- 2. Newborns with diarrhea in hospitals or other institutions
- 3. Foodborne or waterborne diseases in addition to those specified by name in this rule
- 4. Streptococcal illnesses
- Conjunctivitis
- 6. Impetigo
- 7. Nosocomial disease within hospitals and health care facilities
- 8. Influenza-like-illness
- Viral meningitis
- 10. Unusual occurrence of disease
- Any disease (e.g. anthrax, plague, tularemia, Brucella species, smallpox, or botulism) or chemical illness considered a bioterrorism threat, importation, or laboratory release.



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#### Resistance

# In the end, there is no winning the germ war, it is only resistance.







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