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CONFERENCE LOCATION

Sagamore Ballroom
Indiana Convention Center
100 South Capitol Avenue
Indianapolis, IN 46225

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Indiana Healthcare Associated Infection Initiative

The Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) is leading a state collaborative initiative to prevent healthcare associated infections. The Indiana Healthcare Associated Infection Initiative is a two-year initiative to promote the prevention of healthcare associated infections. The ISDH Healthcare Leadership Conference scheduled for March 2, 2010, will focus on healthcare associated infections and serve as a kick-off for the Initiative.

This newsletter is the first issue of the ISDH Healthcare Associated Infection Newsletter. The ISDH will be periodically publishing a newsletter to provide information on healthcare associated infections and the state initiative.

The prevention of healthcare associated infections is an important health issue. Evidence suggests that healthcare associated infections are an increasing healthcare problem in part resulting from multi-drug resistant organisms. For instance, reported cases of *Clostridium difficile* infections increased annually in Indiana hospitals from 2002 to 2007.

The Indiana Healthcare Associated Infection Initiative is a collaborative initiative with three primary objectives:

- Develop a state plan for preventing healthcare associated infections
- Develop and implement a surveillance and monitoring system for healthcare associated infections
- Develop and implement a prevention initiative for healthcare associated infections

The Indiana Healthcare Associated Infection Initiative is focusing on six healthcare associated infections:

- Central line associated bloodstream infections
- Catheter associated urinary tract infections
- *Clostridium difficile* infection
- Methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus*

- Surgical site infections
- Ventilator associated pneumonia

This initiative is funded through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA). The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, is administering the initiative along with the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

An overview of the Indiana Healthcare Associated Infection Initiative may be found on the ISDH Healthcare Associated Infection Resource Center Web site.

Conference Topic: "Healthcare Associated Infections"

This Indiana Healthcare Leadership Conference will focus on *clostridium difficile* and other infections on which the ISDH Statewide Collaborative will be focusing efforts. This conference will provide tools and resources to help you prevent and treat healthcare associated infections.

About the Leadership Conference

The Indiana Healthcare Leadership Conference is an initiative of the ISDH which plans two Leadership Conferences per year – one in the Spring and one in the Fall. Each conference is a one-day conference focusing primarily on a single issue.

The Leadership Conferences which began in June, 2007 have grown in attendance from 720 participants to over 1100 participants. Attendees have been treated to outstanding presentations on *Falls Management*, *Reduction of Pressure Ulcers*, *Management and Reduction of Restraints*, *Emergency Preparedness Planning*, and *Managing Incontinence Care*, and *Staffing Issues*. A variety of educational and practical resources on all of these topics were provided at each conference.

The conferences are intended to bring together statewide healthcare leaders to promote important quality of care issues. This conference will include providers from long term care, hospitals, home health agencies, state surveyors, healthcare organizations and individuals with significant interests in health care.

Invited Participants

The ISDH invites each comprehensive care facility (nursing home) and hospital to send two representatives to the conference. Each facility may select the individuals attending the conference on behalf of their facility. The ISDH recommends individuals such as the facility administrator, director of nursing or compliance officer. Corporate offices of facilities are also invited to send appropriate representatives.

The ISDH will also be inviting selected home health agencies, professional organizations and individuals to attend the conference. Invited organizations will include the Alzheimer's Association of Greater Indiana, HealthCare Excel, Hoosier Owners and Providers for the Elderly, Indiana Health Care Association, Indiana Hospital Association, Indiana Homes and Services for the Aging, Indiana Assisted Living Federation, Indiana Ombudsman, patient safety coalitions and centers, and United Senior Action. The ISDH will also be inviting academic and legislative partners. All ISDH surveyors will be attending.

Conference Location

Sagamore Ballroom
Indiana Convention Center
100 South Capitol Avenue

Conference Funding

The conference is primarily funded through the ISDH Civil Money Penalty Fund. A small registration fee of \$50 will be charged to pay for meeting costs which cannot be paid by the Civil Money Penalty Fund.

Hotel Information

There are numerous hotels in the immediate vicinity of the Indiana Convention Center. Visit www.visitindy.com for a list of hotels and to check availability. Participants are responsible for making their hotel reservations and any incurred expenses.

Conference Agenda

7:30 – 8:30 Conference Registration and Continental Breakfast

A continental breakfast will be available for conference participants in the Sagamore Ballroom.

8:30 – 8:35 Welcome and Announcements

Speaker: Terry Whitson, Assistant Commissioner, Indiana State Department of Health

8:35 – 9:05 Patient Safety - Josie's Story

Speaker: Sorrell King, Founder of the Josie King Foundation

Topic: Ms. King will discuss patient safety and the role of the patient and family in preventing medical errors and healthcare

9:05 – 10:05 Trends and Strategies for Prevention of Healthcare Associated Infections

Speaker: Alice Guh, MD, MPH, Medical Officer, Prevention and Response Branch, Division of Healthcare Quality Promotion, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Topic: Dr. Guh will provide an overview of the nationwide campaign to prevent healthcare associated infections. She will discuss the necessary infrastructure, surveillance and detection, prevention, and evaluation and communication parts of plans for prevention of healthcare associated infections.

10:05 – 10:35 The Indiana Healthcare Associated Infections Initiative

Speakers: Terry Whitson, Assistant Commissioner, Indiana State Department of Health; Ellen W. Miller, University of Indianapolis, Center for Aging and Community

Topic: Mr. Whitson and Ms. Miller will discuss the upcoming Healthcare Associated Infections Collaborative Initiative that is beginning in the state and how healthcare facilities can become involved.

10:35 – 10:50 Break

10:50 – 12:00 ***Clostridium Difficile (CDI or c. diff.)***

Speaker: Stephen M. Brecher, Ph.D., Chief, Departments of Microbiology, VA Boston Healthcare System, Boston, MA

Topic: Dr. Brecher will review the current controversies with *Clostridium difficile* and discuss

treatment modalities based on severity of the disease. In addition, he will review and update diagnostic options for *Clostridium difficile* discussing infection control, antibiotic stewardship and other actions which may reduce the spread of *Clostridium difficile*.

12:00 – 1:00 Lunch

A box lunch will be available for conference participants in the associated infections. 500 Ballroom.

1:00 – 2:15 Best Practices

Speaker: Barbara M. Soule, R.N., M.P.A., C.I.C., Practice Leader for Infection Prevention Services for the Joint Commission Resources and Joint Commission International

Topic: Ms. Soule will identify areas of risk related to healthcare associated infections and discuss development of a healthcare associated infections prevention program. She will also discuss development and implementation of an education program for staff utilizing current infection control best practices, and the creation of a system for data collection and surveillance.

2:15 – 3:00 Regulatory Requirements

Speaker: Indiana State Department of Health Staff

Topic: Staff members will present a brief overview of the National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) and discuss regulatory requirements for healthcare associated infections.

3:00 Adjourn

Continuing Education Units

Continuing Education Units (CEUs) will be available for social workers and health facility administrators only. Please complete the CEU form and return to the registration counter. The entire conference will be 5.0 CEUs.

Save the Date for the next Leadership Conference

The Indiana State Department of Health is planning the next Indiana Healthcare Leadership Conference for October 14, 2010. The conference will focus on Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia. Make plans to attend!

We look forward to seeing you on March 2 at the Indiana Healthcare Leadership Conference as we kick-off the Indiana Healthcare Associated Infection Initiative.

Terry Whitson
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To visit the ISDH Healthcare Associated Infection Resource Center, go to
<http://www.in.gov/isdh/24769.htm>