

## Reform of Requirements for Long-Term Care Facilities | 483.80 Infection Control

### Infection Prevention and Control Program:

A system for preventing, identifying, reporting, investigating, and controlling infection and communicable diseases for all residents, staff volunteers, visitors, and other individuals providing services under a contractual arrangements based upon the facility assessment and following accepted national standards. Written standards, policies, and procedures for the program, must include, but are not limited to:

Component	Yes	No	Resources
A system of surveillance designed to identify possible communicable diseases or infections before they can spread to others in the facility			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Great Plains Quality Innovation Network (GPQIN) Antibiotic Stewardship Resources <a href="http://greatplainsqin.org/initiatives/antibiotic-stewardship/">http://greatplainsqin.org/initiatives/antibiotic-stewardship/</a></li> <li>Infection Prevention and Control Assessment Tool for Long-term Care Facilities <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/infectioncontrol/pdf/icar/lctcf.pdf">https://www.cdc.gov/infectioncontrol/pdf/icar/lctcf.pdf</a></li> </ul>
When and to whom possible incidents of communicable disease or infections should be reported			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>CDC Prevention Toolkit <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/hai/prevent/prevention_tools.html">https://www.cdc.gov/hai/prevent/prevention_tools.html</a></li> <li>Assessment of Current CDI Prevention Activities Appropriate Cleaning/Disinfection of Equipment and the Environment <a href="https://www.nhqualitycampaign.org/files/EnvironmentalCleaning_Assessment.pdf">https://www.nhqualitycampaign.org/files/EnvironmentalCleaning_Assessment.pdf</a></li> </ul>
Standard and transmission-based precautions to be followed to prevent spread of infections			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Guideline for Disinfection and Sterilization in Healthcare Facilities, 2008 (CDC) <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/hicpac/pdf/guidelines/Disinfection_Nov_2008.pdf">https://www.cdc.gov/hicpac/pdf/guidelines/Disinfection_Nov_2008.pdf</a></li> </ul>
When and how isolation should be used for a resident, including but not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The type and duration of the isolation, depending upon the infectious agent or organism involved.</li> <li>A requirement that the isolation should be the least restrictive possible for the resident.</li> <li>The circumstances under which the facility must</li> </ul>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2007 Guideline for Isolation Precautions: Preventing Transmission of Infectious Agents in Healthcare Settings <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/hicpac/pdf/isolation/Isolation2007.pdf">https://www.cdc.gov/hicpac/pdf/isolation/Isolation2007.pdf</a></li> <li>Guidelines for Environmental Infection Control in Health-Care Facilities <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/hicpac/pdf/guidelines/eic_in_HCF_03.pdf">https://www.cdc.gov/hicpac/pdf/guidelines/eic_in_HCF_03.pdf</a></li> <li>Cleaning/Disinfection Cleaning Checklist <a href="https://www.nhqualitycampaign.org/files/EnvironmentalCleaning_Assessment.pdf">https://www.nhqualitycampaign.org/files/EnvironmentalCleaning_Assessment.pdf</a></li> <li>Management of Multidrug-Resistant Organisms In Healthcare Settings, 2006 <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/hicpac/pdf/guidelines/MDROGuideline2006.pdf">https://www.cdc.gov/hicpac/pdf/guidelines/MDROGuideline2006.pdf</a></li> <li>Guideline for infection control in health care personnel, 1998 <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/hicpac/pdf/InfectControl98.pdf">https://www.cdc.gov/hicpac/pdf/InfectControl98.pdf</a></li> </ul>

<p>prohibit employees with a communicable disease or infected skin lesions from direct contact with resident or their food.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The hand hygiene procedures to be followed by staff involved in direct resident contact.</li> </ul>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Assessment of Current CDI Prevention Activities Hand Hygiene <a href="https://www.nhqualitycampaign.org/files/HandHygiene_Assessment.pdf">https://www.nhqualitycampaign.org/files/HandHygiene_Assessment.pdf</a></li> <li>Guideline for Hand Hygiene in Health-Care Settings (CDC) <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/PDF/rr/rr5116.pdf">https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/PDF/rr/rr5116.pdf</a></li> <li>Hand Hygiene for Health Professionals (CDC) <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/handhygiene/providers/index.html">https://www.cdc.gov/handhygiene/providers/index.html</a></li> <li>The Core Elements for Antibiotic Stewardship in Nursing Homes <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/longtermcare/prevention/antibiotic-stewardship.html">https://www.cdc.gov/longtermcare/prevention/antibiotic-stewardship.html</a></li> <li>CDC Checklist of Core Elements of Antibiotic Stewardship in Nursing Homes <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/longtermcare/pdfs/core-elements-antibiotic-stewardship-checklist.pdf">https://www.cdc.gov/longtermcare/pdfs/core-elements-antibiotic-stewardship-checklist.pdf</a></li> <li>CDC Creating a Culture to Improve Antibiotic Stewardship in Nursing Homes <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/longtermcare/pdfs/Factsheet-Core-Elements-Creating-Culture-Improve-Use.pdf">https://www.cdc.gov/longtermcare/pdfs/Factsheet-Core-Elements-Creating-Culture-Improve-Use.pdf</a></li> </ul>
<p>An antibiotic stewardship program that includes antibiotic use protocols and a system to monitor antibiotic use.</p>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Assessment of Current CDI Prevention Activities Antibiotic Stewardship Checklist (CDC) <a href="https://www.nhqualitycampaign.org/files/AntibioticStewardship_Assessment.pdf">https://www.nhqualitycampaign.org/files/AntibioticStewardship_Assessment.pdf</a></li> <li>AHRQ Antimicrobial Guide <a href="https://www.ahrq.gov/nhguide/index.html">https://www.ahrq.gov/nhguide/index.html</a></li> </ul>
<p>A system for recording incidents identified under the facility's Infection Prevention and Control Plan (IPCP) and the corrective actions taken by the facility.</p>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Assessment of Current CDI Prevention Activities Antibiotic Stewardship Checklist (CDC) <a href="https://www.nhqualitycampaign.org/files/AntibioticStewardship_Assessment.pdf">https://www.nhqualitycampaign.org/files/AntibioticStewardship_Assessment.pdf</a></li> <li>AHRQ Antimicrobial Guide <a href="https://www.ahrq.gov/nhguide/index.html">https://www.ahrq.gov/nhguide/index.html</a></li> </ul> <p>KANSAS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reportable Diseases in Kansas <a href="http://www.kdheks.gov/epi/disease_reporting.html">http://www.kdheks.gov/epi/disease_reporting.html</a></li> <li>Electronic Disease Reporting (KS) <a href="http://www.kdheks.gov/epi/download/KANSAS_NOTIFIABLE_DISEASE_FORM.pdf">http://www.kdheks.gov/epi/download/KANSAS_NOTIFIABLE_DISEASE_FORM.pdf</a></li> </ul> <p>NEBRASKA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reportable Diseases in Nebraska <a href="http://dhhs.ne.gov/publichealth/EPI/Documents/Reportable%20Disease%20Chart.pdf">http://dhhs.ne.gov/publichealth/EPI/Documents/Reportable%20Disease%20Chart.pdf</a></li> <li>Electronic Disease Reporting (NE) <a href="http://dhhs.ne.gov/publichealth/EPI/Pages/ELR.aspx">http://dhhs.ne.gov/publichealth/EPI/Pages/ELR.aspx</a></li> </ul>

		<p>NORTH DAKOTA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Reportable Diseases in North Dakota <a href="http://www.ndhealth.gov/Disease/Documents/ReportableConditions.pdf">http://www.ndhealth.gov/Disease/Documents/ReportableConditions.pdf</a></li><li>• Electronic Disease Reporting (ND) <a href="https://www.ndhealth.gov/disease/reportcard/">https://www.ndhealth.gov/disease/reportcard/</a></li></ul> <p>SOUTH DAKOTA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Reportable Diseases in South Dakota <a href="https://doh.sd.gov/diseases/infectious/reporting.aspx">https://doh.sd.gov/diseases/infectious/reporting.aspx</a></li><li>• Electronic Disease Reporting (SD) <a href="https://apps.sd.gov/PH93Morbidity/secure/index.aspx">https://apps.sd.gov/PH93Morbidity/secure/index.aspx</a></li><li>• Great Plains Quality Innovation Network C. Difficile Reporting and Reduction Initiative <a href="http://greatplainsqin.org/initiatives/hac-nh/cdi/">http://greatplainsqin.org/initiatives/hac-nh/cdi/</a></li></ul>
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<b>Infection Preventionist</b>			
The facility must designate one or more individual(s) as the infection preventionist(s) (IPs) who are responsible for the facility's IPCP. The IP must:			
<b>Component</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Resources</b>
Have primary professional training in nursing, medical technology, microbiology, epidemiology, or other related field.			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Exploring Antibiotics and their Role in Fighting Bacterial Infections- Nursing Home Training Sessions  <a href="http://qioprogram.org/exploring-antibiotics-and-their-role-fighting-bacterial-infections">http://qioprogram.org/exploring-antibiotics-and-their-role-fighting-bacterial-infections</a> </li> </ul>
Be qualified by education, training, experience or certification.			
Work at least part-time at the facility.			
Have completed specialized training in infection prevention and control.			
<b>IP Participation on quality assessment and assurance committee</b>			
<b>Component</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Resources</b>
The individual designated as the IP, must be a member of the facility's quality assessment and assurance committee and report to the committee on the IPCP on a regular basis.			

## Influenza Immunizations

The facility must develop policies and procedures to ensure that:

Component	Yes	No	Resources
Before offering the influenza immunization, each resident or the resident representative receives education regarding the benefits and potential side effects of the immunization			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>CDC Influenza Toolkit for Long-Term Care</b> <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/flu/toolkit/long-term-care/">https://www.cdc.gov/flu/toolkit/long-term-care/</a></li> <li>• <b>Recommended immunization schedule for adults</b> <a href="http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/idepc/immunize/hcp/adsched.pdf">http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/idepc/immunize/hcp/adsched.pdf</a></li> <li>• <b>Vaccine protocols (MDH)</b> <a href="http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/idepc/immunize/hcp/protocols/">http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/idepc/immunize/hcp/protocols/</a></li> </ul>
Each resident is offered an influenza immunization October 1 through March 31 annually, unless the immunization is medically contraindicated or the resident has already been immunized during this time period			
The resident or the resident's representative has the opportunity to refuse immunization			
The resident's medical record includes documentation that indicates, at a minimum: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• That the resident or resident's representative was provided education regarding the benefits and potential side effect of influenza immunization.</li> <li>• That the resident either received the influenza immunization or did not receive the immunization due</li> </ul>			

to medical contraindications or refusal.			
<b>Pneumococcal disease</b>			
The facility must develop policies and procedures to ensure that:			
<b>Component</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Resources</b>
Before offering the pneumococcal immunization, each resident or the resident representative receives education regarding the benefits and potential side effects of the immunization			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CDC Standards for Adult Immunization Practice <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/adults/for-practice/standards/index.html">https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/adults/for-practice/standards/index.html</a></li> <li>• CDC Vaccine Information Statements <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/vis/index.html">https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/vis/index.html</a></li> </ul>
Each resident is offered a pneumococcal immunization unless the immunization is medically contraindicated or the resident has already been immunized			<p>KANSAS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Immunization Information System <a href="https://kanphix.kdhe.state.ks.us/webiznet_ks/Login.aspx">https://kanphix.kdhe.state.ks.us/webiznet_ks/Login.aspx</a></li> </ul> <p>NEBRASKA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Immunization Information System <a href="https://nesiis-dhhs-prod.ne.gov/prd_ir/public/clientSearch.do?language=en">https://nesiis-dhhs-prod.ne.gov/prd_ir/public/clientSearch.do?language=en</a></li> </ul>
The resident or the resident’s representative has the opportunity to refuse immunization			<p>NORTH DAKOTA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Immunization Information System <a href="http://www.ndhealth.gov/Immunize/NDIIS/">http://www.ndhealth.gov/Immunize/NDIIS/</a></li> </ul> <p>SOUTH DAKOTA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Immunization Information System <a href="https://doh.sd.gov/family/childhood/immunization/">https://doh.sd.gov/family/childhood/immunization/</a></li> </ul>

<p>The resident’s medical record includes documentation that indicates, at a minimum:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• That the resident or resident’s representative was provided education regarding the benefits and potential side effect of pneumococcal immunization.</li> <li>• That the resident either received the pneumococcal immunization or did not receive the immunization due to medical contraindications or refusal.</li> </ul>			
<b>Linens</b>			
<b>Component</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Resources</b>
Personnel must handle, store, process, and transport linens so as to prevent the spread of infection			
<b>Annual Review</b>			
<b>Component</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Resources</b>
The facility will conduct an annual review of its IPCP program and update their program as necessary			

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