

California State HAI Prevention Plan Subcommittee
Thursday, November 7th, 2013
12:00pm-1:00pm
TELECONFERENCE

Attendance

Members Present

Zachary Rubin, MD, Chair; *Suzanne Anders MHI; Marsha Barden, MSN; *Amy Dubois, MSN; Elizabeth Clark, MPH, RN; Cheryl Richardson, RN; Matt Zahn, MD. MPH

Liaison Representatives:

Vicki Keller, RN,MSN,PHN,CIC

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*Lynn Janssen, MS, CIC, CPHQ, Neely Kazerouni, DrPH, MPH, Jorge Palacios

*absent

Agenda Item/ Discussion
Call to Order Dr. Rubin, Chair of the subcommittee called meeting to order at 12:02 pm.
Welcome and Introductions Members introduced themselves
<u>Bagley Keene Open Meeting Act 2010</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Members were reminded the importance of sending agenda items to the chair, to comply with the rules for posting.
Summary Meeting Minutes (SMM) Members reviewed, made edits and approved the October 17 th , 2013, SMM

V. Keller– Presented a Prevention Strategy framework (**see attachment**) for subcommittee discussion, on ways to develop better surveillance when identifying *Clostridium difficile* Infection (CDI) in California hospitals.

Group - Discussion focused on improvement of CDI by expanding Core Strategies and Supplemental Strategies with other tools that hospitals can use.

Hospitals should assess their community onset cases of *C. difficile*, in addition to the onset at their institution to determine when supplemental strategies should be implemented.

The following recommendations were also suggested, when appropriate:

- Hospitals should evaluate their data and see where your infections are occurring
 - If your infections are occurring early in patients stay, move right into the core and supplemental (**see attachment**)
 - If your infections are occurring late, then move thru the core and then move to the supplemental

Core /CDI Prevention Strategies ADD

- Assessing hand hygiene adherence

Supplemental ADD

- Nurse driven protocol for ordering *C. difficile* test, consider implementing presumptive isolation for patients with diarrhea,

Group agreed on topic for next meeting – CAUTI

Timeline

- Next subcommittee meeting will be held on November 22, 2013
- Subcommittee meetings are held twice a month, on the first and third Thursday of each month.