

MM for Infection Preventionists Assessment Subcommittee

March 4, 2015

Attendance: M. Barnden, K. Anderson, E. Eck, C. Richardson, D. Wiechman, S. Tweeten
CDPH staff: J. Palacios

Member(s) Absent: L. LaBar

Meeting was called to order @ 1104 by Subcommittee Chair, M. Barnden

A brief mention was made of Bagley-Keene requirements.

Motion: K. Anderson to approve the February 4 summary notes as written. Seconded by E. Eck.
Summary meeting minutes accepted without changes.

Charges to Subcommittee:

- (1) Review and evaluate federal and state legislation, regulations, and accreditation standards and communicate to the department how infection prevention and control programs will be impacted.**
- (2) In accordance with subdivision (a) of Section 1288.6, recommend a method by which the number of infection prevention professionals would be assessed in each hospital.**
- (8) Recommend a method by which all hospital infection prevention professionals would be trained to use the NHSN HAI surveillance system.**

Many members of this subcommittee expressed concerns related to the lack of continued support from Sue Chen during future subcommittee meetings. Chen's extensive participation in the HAI program is critical to the work of this subcommittee, as they continue to move forward.

Debriefing of the February 12 meeting, HAI-AC

After considerable discussion of the pilot survey, the HAI-AC unanimously agreed to support the IPA Subcommittee requests:

1. Approve changes made to the IP Assessment Survey based on findings from the pilot.
2. Forward the survey tool (as approved) to the Department with a recommendation that the Department, working with members of the Subcommittee, distribute the survey to all California hospitals within 30 days.

Members of the subcommittee were instructed to ask Dr. Witt (Chair, of the HAI-AC) questions on next steps, in relationship to the survey, motions made on February 12, 2015, and alternative modes of disseminating the survey (California APIC), if necessary.

Summary Impact: This item was deferred.

NHSN: Members reviewed the template, including hyperlinks and will add a folder document(s) for easy and continuous access.

Financial Outcomes: This item was deferred.

Next Steps: Concentrate on the survey tool and ways to get the analysis back to CDPH.

Action items:

J. Palacios will look into the requirements for "Special Meetings" according to Bagley-Keene requirements and will close-the-loop with the Chair, Barnden. M.

Barnden will contact D. Witt to have a discussion on next steps and possibly call for a "Special meeting".

The next meeting will be Wednesday, April 1, 2015 at 1100.

The meeting was adjourned at 1200pm