



# Infection Control

## F868, F882, F945

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# Objective

- ▶ Review the upcoming Phase III changes & resources available.



# F868–Quality assessment and assurance

- ▶ §483.75(g)(1) A facility must maintain a quality assessment and assurance committee consisting at a minimum of:
  - ▶ (i) The director of nursing services;
  - ▶ (ii) The Medical Director or his/her designee;
  - ▶ (iii) At least three other members of the facility's staff, at least one of who must be the administrator, owner, a board member or other individual in a leadership role; and
  - ▶ (iv) **The infection preventionist.**

# F882–Infection Preventionist (IP)

- ▶ The facility must designate one or more individual(s) as the infection preventionist(s) (IP)(s) who are responsible for the facility's IPCP. The IP must:
  - §483.80(b)(1) Have primary professional training in nursing, medical technology, microbiology, epidemiology, or other related field;
  - §483.80(b)(2) Be qualified by education, training, experience or certification;

# Infection Preventionist (IP)

- §483.80(b)(3) Work at least part-time at the facility; and
- §483.80(b)(4) Have completed specialized training in infection prevention and control.
- §483.80 (c) IP participation on quality assessment and assurance committee. The individual designated as the IP, or at least one of the individuals if there is more than one 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.

# F945–Infection Control

- ▶ §483.95(e) Infection control.
- ▶ A facility must include as part of its infection prevention and control program mandatory training that includes the written standards, policies, and procedures for the program as described at §483.80(a)(2).

# Resources

- ▶ **QSO 18-15-NH** (March 16, 2018)
  - The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) are collaborating on the development of a free on-line training course in infection prevention and control for nursing home staff in the long-term care setting.
  - The training is expected to take approximately 16 to 20 hours and a certificate of completion will be provided after successful completion of an online exam.

# The content of the training is expected to cover the following topics:

- Infection prevention and control program overview,
- Infection preventionist responsibilities,
- Quality assessment and assurance committee,
- Infection surveillance,
- Outbreaks,
- Hand hygiene,
- Principles of standard and transmission-based precautions,
- Medication and sharps safety,
- Respiratory etiquette,
- Device and wound management,
- Environmental cleaning, disinfection, and sterilization,
- Vaccine-preventable respiratory infections and tuberculosis,
- Employee and occupational health considerations,
- Linen management,
- Water management,
- Antibiotic stewardship program, and
- Infection prevention and antibiotic stewardship considerations during care transitions.



# QSO 19-10-NH

- ▶ The “Nursing Home Infection Preventionist Training Course” is located on the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s TRAIN website at [https://www.train.org/cdctrain/training\\_plan/3814](https://www.train.org/cdctrain/training_plan/3814).

# Nursing Home IP training

- ▶ This course will provide IPC training.
- ▶ The course consists of 23 modules.
- ▶ Total time to complete is estimated up to 20 hours.
- ▶ There is a post-evaluation & post-test.



# Compliance & Ethics

F895, F946

# F895– Compliance & Ethics Program

- ▶ Beginning on November 28, 2019, the operating organization for each facility must have in operation a compliance and ethics program.
- ▶ §483.85(a) Definitions.
- ▶ For purposes of this section, the following definitions apply:
  - Compliance and ethics program means, with respect to a facility, a program of the operating organization that—

# F895– Compliance & Ethics Program

- §483.85(1) Has been reasonably designed, implemented, and enforced so that it is likely to be effective in preventing and detecting criminal, civil, and administrative violations under the Act and in promoting quality of care; and
- §483.85(2) Includes, at a minimum, the required components specified in paragraph (c) of this section.
- High-level personnel means individual(s) who have substantial control over the operating organization or who have a substantial role in the making of policy within the operating organization.
- Operating organization means the individual(s) or entity that operates a facility.

# F946– Compliance & Ethics

- ▶ §483.95(f) Compliance and ethics.
- ▶ The operating organization for each facility must include as part of its compliance and ethics program, as set forth at §483.85—
- ▶ §483.95(f)(1) An effective way to communicate the program's standards, policies, and procedures through a training program or in another practical manner which explains the requirements under the program.
- ▶ §483.95(f)(2) Annual training if the operating organization operates five or more facilities.

# Questions

