What is a "Full-time" Infection Preventionist?

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No One Can Work 24/7: It Takes a Team!



Think about your many roles and responsibilities and simplify them Identify mentors
Be a mentor
Everyone is an IP!



CALTCM Long Term Care Quadruple Aim for COVID-19 Response

- Sufficient and properly used PPE
- Readily available testing of staff and residents
- Stellar Infection Prevention
- Emergency Preparedness/Incident Command Mode

Compliance Monitoring of PPE Use

- Proper donning and doffing of PPE is essential in infection prevention and control
- Train the trainers!
- Have monitors on each shift
- Positive reinforcement
- Develop a process to monitor for compliance

Antibiotic Stewardship

- Requires effective collaboration between the IP, Pharmacist, and Medical Director.
- What is your process for ensuring that antibiotics are used appropriately?
- Engage your medical director and consultant pharmacist
- Think QAPI!

Outcome Surveillance

- Think about your daily workflow
- Have a consistent plan
- Get help!
- Data helps the QAPI process

Environmental Service Oversight

- Environmental services are key
- Develop leaders
- Positive reinforcement is important

Transmission-Based Isolation Precautions

- Know your facility's process for utilization of Transmission-Based Isolation Precautions
 - when does isolation begin
 - who can start isolation
 - when is isolation discontinued

Do You Have Enough Time?



Be honest with yourself

Be honest with your Administrator, DON, and Medical Director

The work must get done

COVID-19 allows nothing less!



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