



Introduction to Healthcare-Associated Infections (PS 101)

THE NEED

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) estimate that healthcare-associated infections (HAIs) account for nearly 100,000 deaths per year in the United States, and are now considered one of the top ten leading causes of death. **Introduction to Healthcare-Associated Infections (PS 101)** is an introductory-level program that provides non-clinical healthcare workers with an overview of HAIs and information on how to reduce the spread of these organisms.

PS 101 TOPICS INCLUDE

- ▼ A definition of healthcare-associated infections (HAIs), and an explanation of how they are spread
- ▼ A discussion of the significance of multidrug-resistant organisms (MDROs)
- ▼ Instructions on how to perform proper hand hygiene to reduce the risk of contamination and the spread of organisms
- ▼ Information on how to prevent the spread of HAIs

COMPETENCY/CAPABILITY ADDRESSED

- ▼ Assists individuals and organizations in meeting the Joint Commission National Patient Safety Goal 07.03.01 training requirement for healthcare workers in the area of HAIs, including MDROs
- ▼ Aligns with recommendations/requirements of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the Society of Healthcare Epidemiology of America (SHEA), the Infectious Diseases Society of America (IDSA) and the Association of Professionals in Infection Control and Epidemiology (APIC)

TARGET AUDIENCE

- ▼ Non-clinical healthcare workers (environmental services, dietary, transportation)

MODALITY

- ▼ Online training

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