

Options for Infection Control Training in Nursing Homes



PATIENT SAFETY

Alliant Quality Infection Control Education Opportunities

(Available only to recruited nursing homes)

Title of Training	Description	Details
Live/Recorded Webinars		
Shop Talks Learn More	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alliant Quality provides technical assistance for data submission into the CDC's NHSN database for COVID-19, CDI, UTI and Hand Hygiene. 	Occurs monthly on 3 rd Thursday at 2:00 p.m. EST
Shop Talk Shorts Learn More	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shop Talk Shorts cover frequently asked questions our participants submit to our technical advisors in a bite-sized video presentation. 	Available on the Alliant Quality YouTube Channel and are 2-4 minutes in length
Alliant Quality Infection Control Affinity Group Training Learn More	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> These sessions are held every other week for all nursing homes involved in the Targeted Response Quality Improvement Initiative (TR QII) work. They were open to others who are interested in learning about how Infection Control and Quality Improvement intersect. These sessions are recorded and available on the Alliant Quality YouTube Channel. 	August 2020 – October 2020 Recordings available on Alliant Quality Youtube page
Consultation (Recruited Nursing Homes)		
One-to-One Consultation Learn More	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Available to recruited nursing homes identified by CMS for technical assistance. 	Started November 2019
Targeted Response Quality Improvement Initiatives (QII) Learn More	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> These CMS-directed Targeted Response Quality Improvement Initiative (QII) opportunities are three-six month technical assistance coaching opportunities for one-on-one education regarding infection control practices. Nursing Homes selected by CMS will be supported and guided by the QIO throughout 2025. 	Started April 2020

National Infection Control Education Opportunities

Title of Training	Description	Details
Certificate Programs		
CDC Training Infection Preventionist Training (Required) Learn More	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Nursing Home Infection Preventionist Training course is designed for individuals responsible for Infection Prevention and Control programs in nursing homes. The course was produced by Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in collaboration with the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). 	Posted Spring 2019 Free CEU/CME/CNE available 23 modules that can be completed in any order over multiple sessions.

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Targeted COVID-19 Training for Nursing Homes (Required) Learn More	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This Targeted COVID-19 Training for Frontline Nursing Home Staff is intended to provide clinical staff members with best practices for containing and preventing the spread of COVID-19 in nursing homes. This training will aid you in prioritizing resident and staff health during the COVID-19 pandemic. 	Posted August 2020 3 hours for Staff Modules 4 hours for Management Modules
Surveyor Training Learn More	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A brief training related to a focused COVID-19 survey for Nursing Homes surveyors. This is not mandatory, but is recommended for LTC surveyors. 	Posted August 2020 15 minutes
ToolKits		
Head to Toe (H2T) Infection Prevention Toolkit Learn More	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Head to Toe Infection (H2T) Prevention Toolkit contains educational materials and practical tools to support the clinical team in providing person-centered care that helps prevent and control common infections like pneumonia, skin infections, and urinary tract infections. The Toolkit aims to educate licensed nurses and nurse aides on infection prevention practices and provides seven tools that can be integrated into their daily work. 	Posted November 2019
On-Demand Webinars		
Comprehensive National Nursing Home Training Learn More	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Comprehensive National Nursing Home Training offers intensive, fast-track instruction on infection prevention and control tailored to nursing homes located in areas with increasing COVID-19 infection rates. The National Nursing Home Training Series is not accredited by CMS. You can follow up with your association or accrediting body to see if they award credit for participation in these trainings. 	Recording of the 5 training calls held in July 2020
CMS-CDC Fundamentals of COVID-19 Prevention for Nursing Home Management Learn More	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A series of 13 topics that your nursing home partners must know to manage the COVID-19 pandemic. These trainings are available on-demand with 24/7 access. 	Made available August 2020
ECHO Institute COVID-19 Action Network Learn More	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project ECHO is convening a conversation with faculty from Project ECHO at UNM Health Sciences Center and experts on quality improvement and infection control in nursing homes as part of a pilot initiative focused on supporting nursing homes and their COVID-19 response. Three mini-webinars were held to introduce the work with the nursing homes. Planning for 16 sessions to be held weekly for 90 minutes; then 36 weeks of weekly coaching calls. Nursing home is to provide a team of four personnel including the Medical Director for participation and \$6,000 will be provided to compensate for the time of the staff for this training. 	Webinars started in August 2020