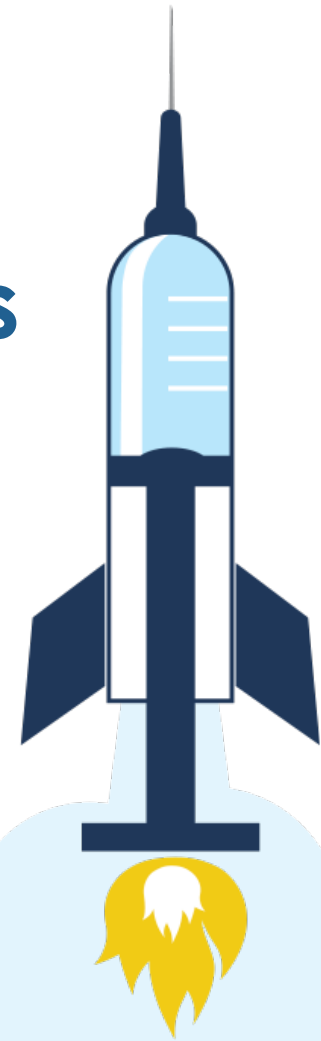


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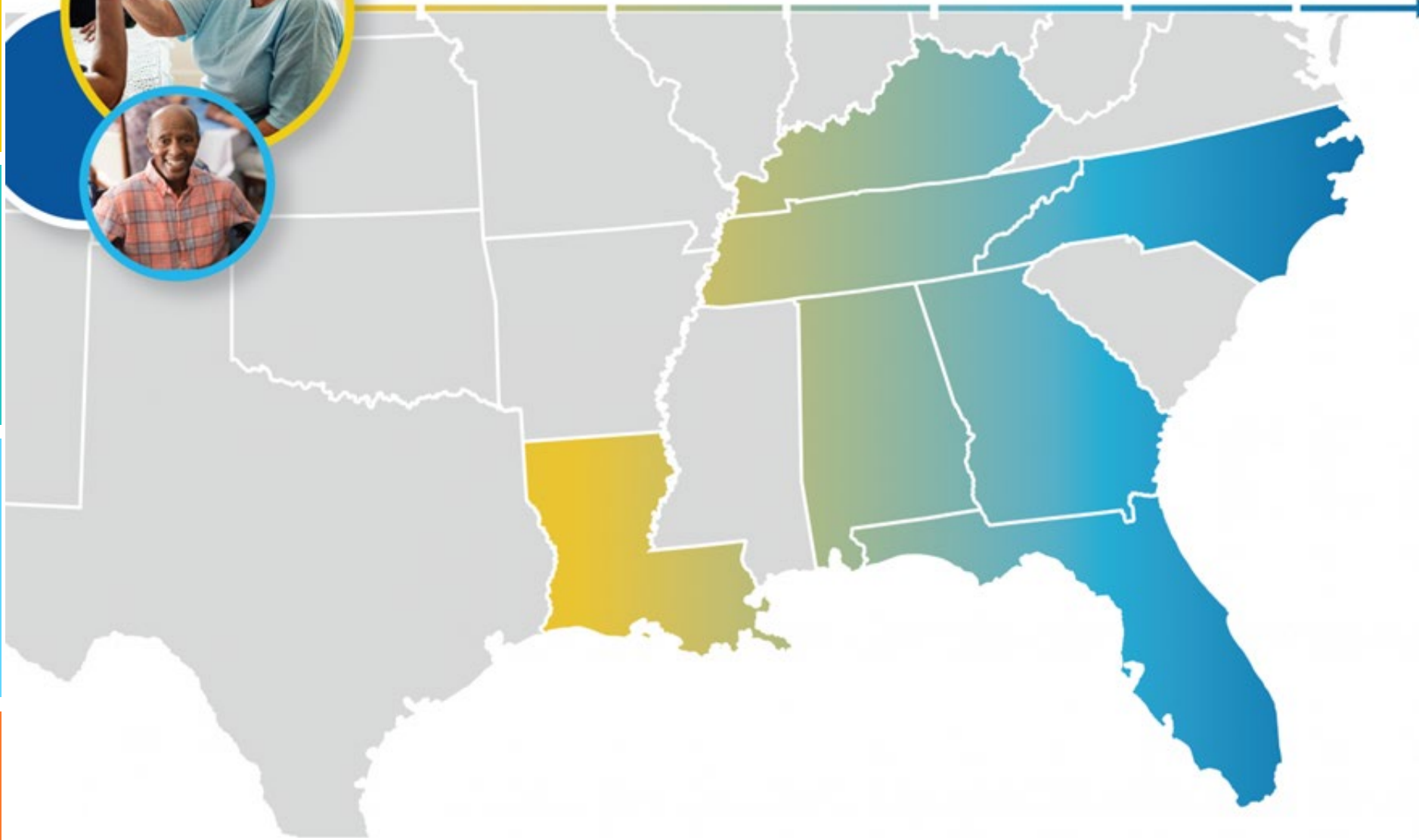
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– Donald Berwick

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# Infection Prevention Risk Assessment

- Completed annually *and* when risks change
- Completed by a multidisciplinary team
- When risks change, used to develop preparedness plans and mitigation responses if needed
- Regulatory requirement
- Use a template (adding or deleting line items!)
- Use to develop priorities and goals for the upcoming year



# Considerations and Data-Gathering

- Facility
- Services provided, care and treatment
- Data analysis
  - Incident reports
  - Hand hygiene compliance
  - Infection rates
  - TB rates
- Patients/residents/personnel



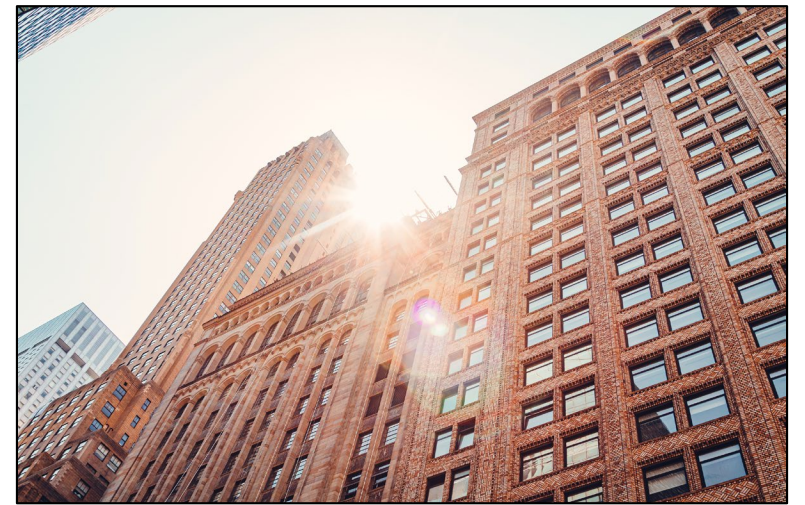
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# Risks to Consider

## Facility

- Location
  - Risks for hurricanes/flooding
- Community
- Population
  - Urban versus rural
- Care/services provided
- Personnel



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# Services/Treatments/Procedures

- Intravenous infusions or central lines
- Indwelling urinary catheters
- Intubation/ventilation
- Wound care/hyperbaric



# Equipment

- Disposable versus Reusable
  - Are single-use disposable items reused?
- Re-usable equipment
  - Cleaning and disinfection between uses
  - Are the instructions for use followed?
  - How is cleaning or disinfection evaluated?
  - When is cleaning required?
  - When is disinfection required?



# Environmental Rounds

- What do you see during rounds?
  - Cleanliness
  - Ventilation
  - Space (clean, separated from dirty, storage of supplies and equipment – away from outside walls, off the floor, etc.)
- Construction/Renovation
- Furnishings and mattresses in good repair?



# Residents

- Age - young, elderly or both
- Lifestyle risks
- Migrant or ethnic groups
- Immunocompromised or oncology
- Post-surgical or rehab
- Drug-resistant organisms
- Respiratory infections/trach unit
- UTI risks





# Personnel

- Compliance with:
  - Work restrictions
  - Health screenings (TB, COVID-19, etc.)
- Vaccinations
- Workplace exposures

Consider all those who work in the facility and what infection risks may be present during their course of work.



# Surveillance Data

- Hand hygiene trends
- Outbreak data - GI infections, COVID-19, influenza
- Compliance with precautions
- Compliance with sharps safety program
- Environmental cleaning audit data
- Education and competency completion



# Completing the Risk Assessment

Discuss these main risk areas:

- Facility-associated infections
  - Device- or care-related
- Resident-related
- Outbreak-related



Fill out the IP risk assessment as a multidisciplinary group

- Add or remove line items as they pertain to your own facility's risks
- Example: If you do not care for residents (and will never accept) with a tracheostomy, this line is not applicable and should be removed

<https://www.cdc.gov/longtermcare/excel/IPC-RiskAssessment.xlsx>

# Completing the Risk Assessment



Rate each risk for:

- Probability of occurrence
- Level of harm if an event occurs
- Impact on care
- Readiness to prevent

Find the sum for each row to determine the risk score

- Scores  $> 8$  are likely high-priority items that should be addressed in your annual infection prevention plan



INFECTION EVENT	PROBABILITY OF OCCURRENCE				LEVEL OF HARM FROM EVENT				IMPACT ON CARE				READINESS TO PREVENT			RISK LEVEL			
	(How likely is this to occur?)				(What would be the most likely?)				(Will new treatment/care be needed for resident)				(Are processes/resources in place)			(Scores ≥ 8 are considered highest priority for improvement efforts.)			
Score	High	Med.	Low	None	Serious Harm	Moderate Harm	Temp. Harm	None	High	Med.	Low	None	Poor	Fair	Good				
	3	2	1	0	3	2	1	0	3	2	1	0	3	2	1				
<b>Facility-onset Infections(s)</b>																			
<b>Device- or care-related</b>																			
Catheter-associated urinary tract infection (CAUTI)																			
Central line-associated bloodstream infection (CLABSI)																			
Tracheostomy-associated respiratory infection																			
Percutaneous-gastrostomy insertion site infection																			
Wound infection																			
Other (specify):																			
<b>Resident-related</b>																			
Symptomatic urinary tract infection (SUTI)																			
Pneumonia																			
Cellulitis/soft tissue																			
<i>Clostridioides difficile</i> infection																			
Tuberculosis*																			
Other (specify):																			
<b>Outbreak-related</b>																			
Influenza*																			
Other viral respiratory pathogens*																			
Norovirus gastroenteritis*																			
Bacterial gastroenteritis (e.g., <i>Salmonella</i> , <i>Shigella</i> )																			
Scabies																			
Conjunctivitis																			

# Risk Mitigation

- Now that risks have been identified, they should be mitigated according to priority.
  - Look to the relative risk level and create an action plan that prioritizes the highest risks first.
- The action plans for high-risk items will be included in surveillance, planning, policies, education, etc., in the IP plan.

# Example Risk Assessment – Dining and Activities

Care activity	Probability of occurrence 3=High 2=Med 1=Low	Impact on residents/staff safety 3=High 2=Med 1=Low	Capacity to detect 3=Poor 2=Fair 1=Good	Readiness to prevent 3=Poor 2=Fair 1=Good	Risk Level (Sum of row)	Notes
Communal Dining	2	3	2	1	8	
Group Activities	1	3	2	1	7	Only 3-5 residents participate at a time, room is large, pause when transmission levels high or substantial

## Considerations:

- The probability will be lower if all staff and residents are up to date on vaccination.
- The impact will be lower if all staff and residents are up to date on vaccination.
- Capacity to detect – supplies for testing available? Is staff available to perform testing?
- Readiness to prevent - are you reviewing community transmission levels regularly and pausing activities when levels are substantial or high? Do you regularly audit infection prevention practices (hand hygiene, source control, cleaning and disinfection)?

# Risk Assessment Best Practices



## **Complete as a team, not in a silo**

- This helps you get the most information and to consider risks or mitigation that you may not have considered previously

## **Complete at the same time as the facility Hazard Vulnerability Assessment**

- The assessments are very similar and should include the same group of people to contribute

## **Think outside the box/lines of the template**

- Don't be limited by the risks in the template – many of the true risks to your facility may not be listed on the template

## **Complete annually and when risks change**

- You don't need to complete the entire assessment when risks change; however, if a major event occurs, the assessment as it relates to that event should be reviewed and added to the template
  - Example: previously rated low risk, there is a norovirus outbreak at the facility that affected 12 residents and five staff. This section should be re-evaluated, and all data and findings from the outbreak should be considered as the assessment is completed.



# Creative Activities During High Community Transmission Rates

Doorway Bingo

Supplies Needed: Usual Bingo Supplies, Masks

Deer Hunting

Supplies: Nerf Guns, Antlers

Hallway Bowling

Supplies: Plastic or Inflatable Bowling set, Sanitizing Wipes, Mask

Tattoo Day:

Supplies: Cart, Temporary Tattoos, Water, small towels/washcloths

Horse Window Visits

Supplies: Community Member with horse trailer and horses



**Questions?**



# Nursing Home and Partnership for Community Health: CMS 12th SOW GOALS



## OPIOID UTILIZATION AND MISUSE

- Promote opioid best practices
- Reduce opioid adverse drug events in all settings



## PATIENT SAFETY

- Reduce hospitalizations due to c. diff
- Reduce adverse drug events
- Reduce facility acquired infections



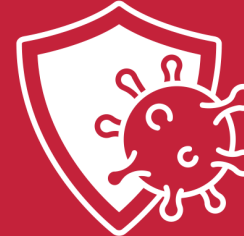
## CHRONIC DISEASE SELF- MANAGEMENT

- Increase instances of adequately diagnosed and controlled hypertension
- Increase use of cardiac rehabilitation programs
- Reduce instances of uncontrolled diabetes
- Identify patients at high-risk for kidney disease and improve outcomes



## CARE COORDINATION

- Convene community coalitions
- Reduce avoidable readmissions, admissions to hospitals and preventable emergency department visits
- Identify and promote optimal care for super utilizers



## COVID-19

- Support nursing homes by establishing a safe visitor policy and cohort plan
- Provide virtual events to support infection control and prevention
- Support nursing homes and community coalitions with emergency preparedness plans



## IMMUNIZATION

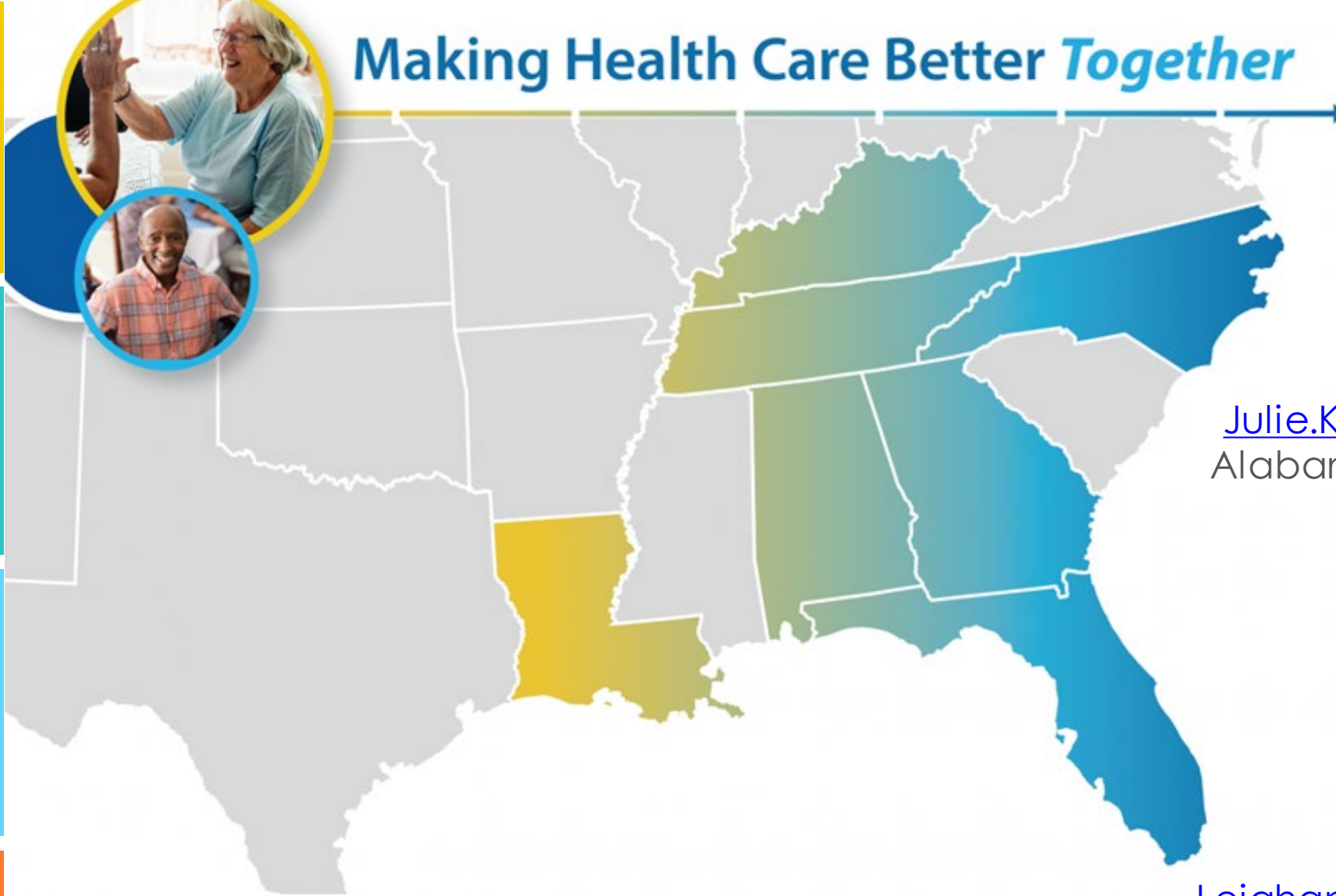
- Increase influenza, pneumococcal, and COVID-19 vaccination rates



## TRAINING

- Encourage completion of infection control and prevention trainings by front line clinical and management staff

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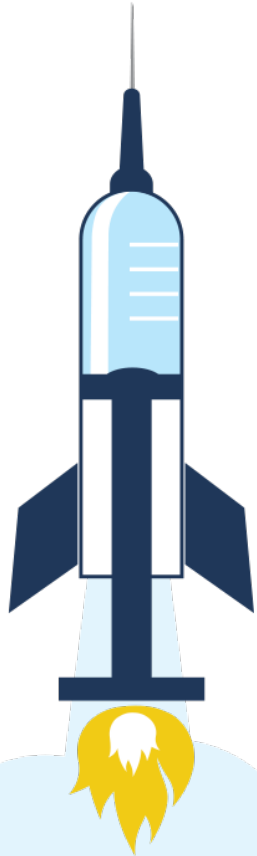
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