NHSN Updates
COVID-19 Vaccine Module & Pathway

Welcome!

Chat to Technical Support if you need assistance

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Donald is a health professional with experience in Public Health Epidemiology and Infection Prevention. Over the past several years, he worked as an Infection Preventionist at the hospital - and system-level, where he was part of a task force to ensure the safety of caregivers and patients during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. In addition, he was a part of and led several projects to reduce hospital-acquired infections utilizing Lean Six Sigma methodologies. He is also trained in ensuring ongoing facility survey readiness for regulatory agencies such as the CMS and The Joint Commission.

Donald enjoys spending time with family and doing outdoor activities.

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She was previously the Interim Hospital Epidemiology Director for a large health care system in Atlanta and a Nurse Consultant in the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) Division of Healthcare Quality Promotion. While at the CDC, she served as an Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) subject matter expert for domestic and international IPC initiatives and emergency responses, including Ebola outbreaks and, most recently, the COVID-19 pandemic.

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Paula enjoys spending time with her friends and family.

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Objectives

Agenda:

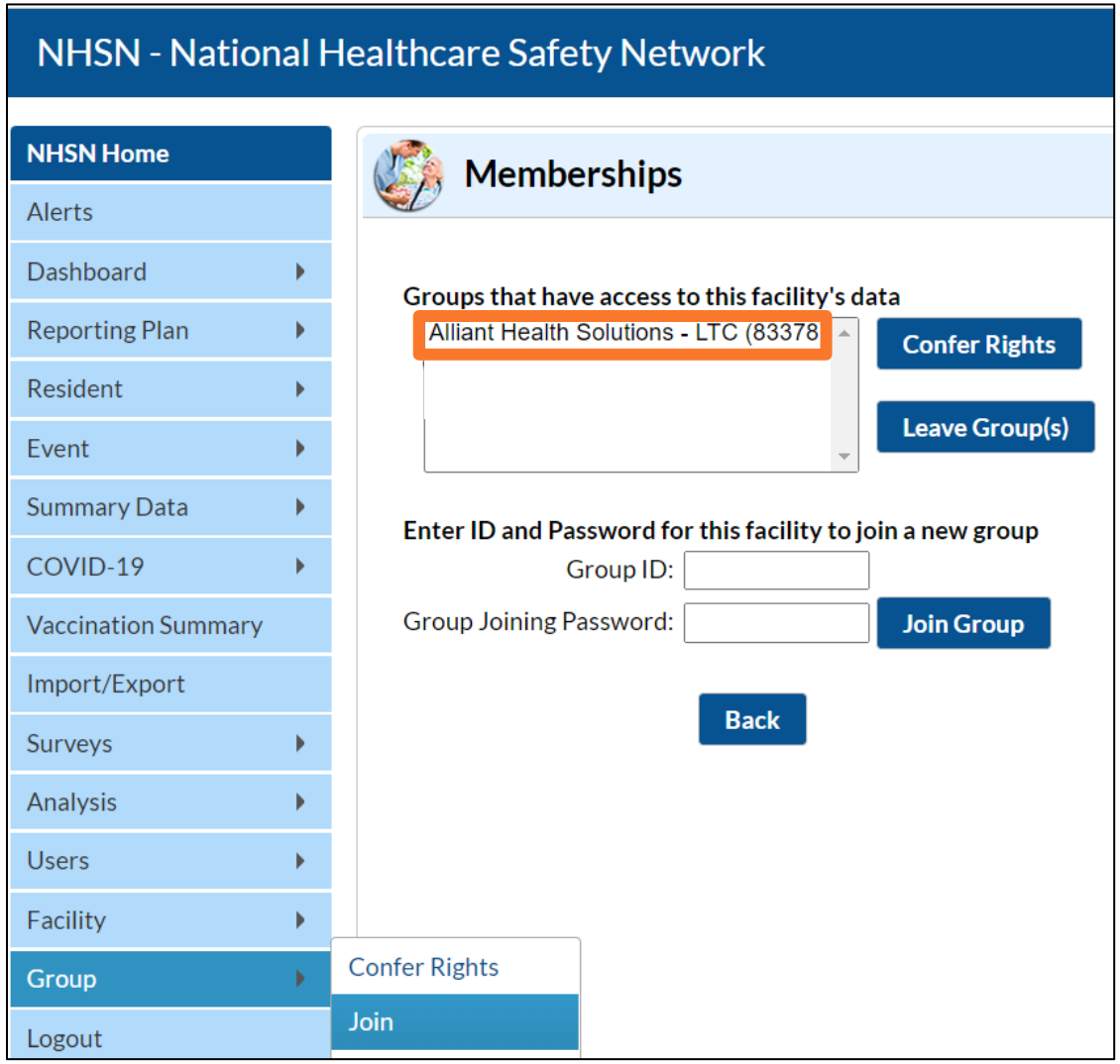
- Join our Alliant Health Solutions LTC NHSN Group
- NHSN Updates
- Person Level Reporting Tips
- Influenza Vaccination Reporting Tips
- SAMS and NHSN Tips
- Questions and Answers

Make Sure You Have Joined Our NHSN Group

On the NHSN Home page:
Click **Group** > **Join**

Make sure you see **Alliant Health Solutions–LTC (83378).** If not, follow the instructions on the next slide to join.

Take this important step to receive assistance from your CMS quality improvement organization.



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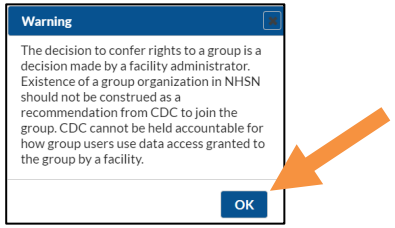
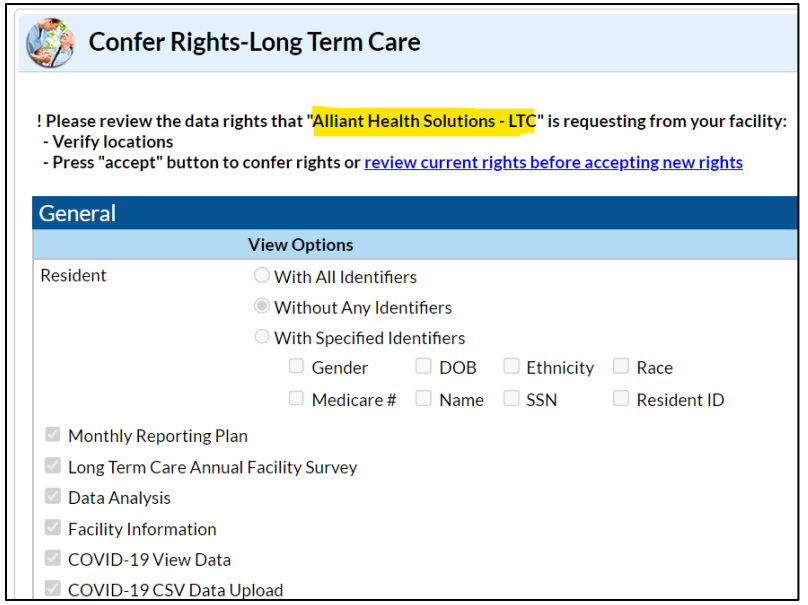
Group ID: 83378
Joining Password: Alliant20!





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Shop Talk Shorts YouTube Channel

Instructional videos to answer technical questions related to NHSN

Bookmark our FAQ YouTube channel for easy reference to frequent NHSN issues:
https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLXWmxni-xNHspWHhLIIrqcLGIzXZPljlF

Influenza Vaccination Reporting

Help! I am new & no one has NHSN access

How to Upgrade to Level-3 Access in NHSN

How do I find out who has access to my facility?

How do I add users and rights to our NHSN account?

I got a new job. Can I use my grid card to access my new facility?

How do I change my email address for NHSN & SAMS?

I am leaving, how do I reassign another NHSN facility administrator?

I want to receive technical assistance. How do I join Alliant Health Solution's NHSN Data Group?

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COMING SOON

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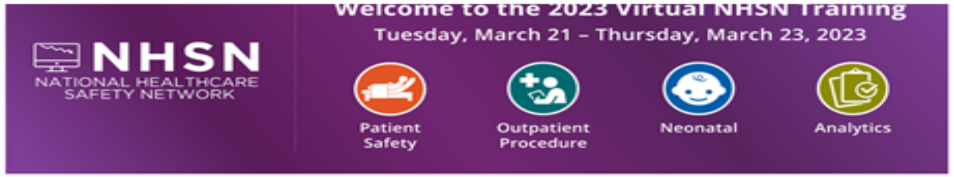
NHSN Updates

Annual NHSN Training



Registration is Now Open!

Please join us for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Center, 2023 National Healthcare Safety Network Patient (NHSN) Training event on March 21-23, 2023.

Register Now!

This course is intended for users of the Patient Safety Component, Outpatient Procedure Component, and Neonatal Component in NHSN. Registration will be open to all interested NHSN users.

The virtual training event will feature live presentations, pre-recorded training videos for self-paced viewing, and opportunities for Q&A.

Training topics include surveillance definitions and analysis for:

- Device-Associated Events
- Surgical Site Infection Events
- MRSA Bacteremia and C. difficile LabID Events
- Antimicrobial Use and Resistance
- Outpatient Procedures
- Late-Onset Sepsis and Meningitis Events

The Long-term Facility Component (LTCF) will also feature educational resources and information regarding the HAI Module (UTI), LabID Module (CDI and MDRO), and the Prevention Process Measures Module.

Annual NHSN Training

The Long-term Care Facility (LTCF) Component will also feature educational resources and information regarding the HAI Module (UTI), LabID Module (CDI and MDRO), and the Prevention Process Measures Module. Access to this resource can be viewed by clicking the LTCF Resources button below.

CE INSTRUCTIONS

LTCF RESOURCES

https://vepimg.b8cdn.com/uploads/vjfnew/9008/content/files/1678433166ltcf-resources-for-annual-training-2023-pdf1678433166.pdf

Annual NHSN Training

ACCREDITATION STATEMENTS:

In support of improving patient care, The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is jointly accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME), the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE), and the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC), to provide continuing education for the healthcare team.

CNE: The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention designates this activity for **12.5** nursing contact hours.

CEU: The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is authorized by IACET to offer **1.3** CEU's for this program.

For Certified Public Health Professionals (CPH)

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is a pre-approved provider of Certified in Public Health (CPH) recertification credits and is authorized to offer **13** CPH recertification credits for this program.

Note: Opening Remarks, Welcome, Q&A OPC Back to Basics, NHSN Annual Training Speaker Panel Q&A (60 minutes), Lunch and Breaks will not have CE offered

Person Level Reporting Tips

Person Level Reporting Resources

Training

NHSN Person-Level Vaccination Forms: General Training – December 2022

- YouTube Link [Video – 52 min]
- Slideset [PDF – 3 MB]

Person-Level COVID-19 Vaccination Forms - Instructions and Guidance Documents

INSTRUCTIONS FOR REPORTING PERSON-LEVEL VACCINATION DATA

Person-Level COVID-19 Vaccination Forms: A How-To Guide [PDF – 1 MB] – February 2023

1 Pager: NHSN COVID-19 (Person-Level) Forms [PDF – 209 KB] – February 2023

Person-Level Vaccination Form Table of Instructions: Healthcare Personnel [PDF – 333 KB] – February 2023

Person-Level Vaccination Form Table of Instructions: Residents [PDF – 330 KB] – February 2023

Quick Reference Guide, Re-Submitting COVID-19 Vaccination Data using the Person-Level Vaccination Forms [PDF – 384 KB]– February 2023

https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/ltc/weekly-covid-vac/index.html

Influenza Vaccination Reporting Tips

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Influenza Vaccination Resources

Annual Flu Summary

Comprehensive Training – October 2022 [PDF – 2 MB]

Comprehensive training slides on collecting and entering HCP influenza vaccination summary data.

https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/hps/vaccination/index.html

SAMS & NHSN Tips

Action Items

COMPLETE THESE ITEMS

Survey Required	Mini-IRF Survey Required	Confer Rights
2021	2021	Not Accepted

ALERTS

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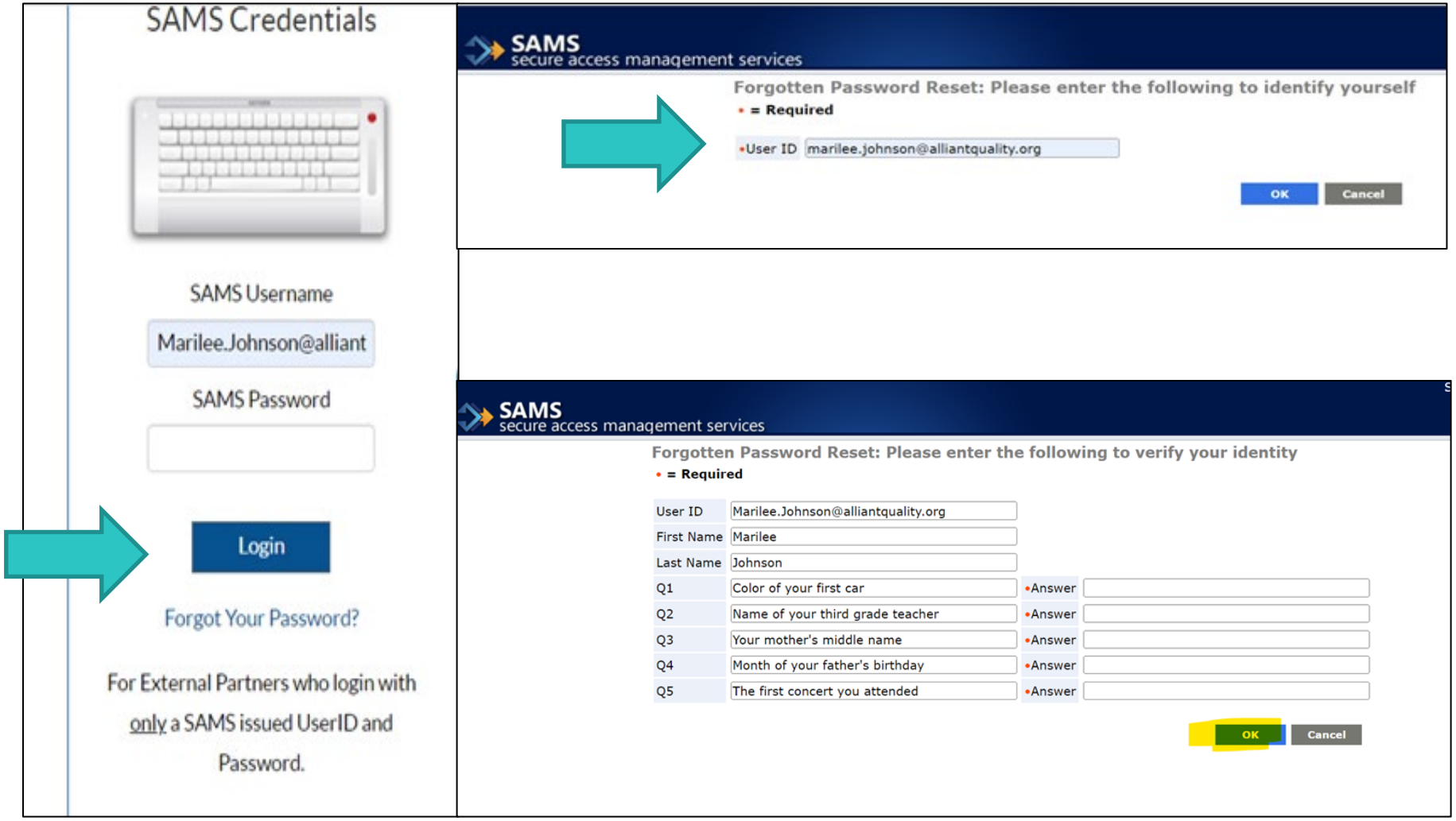
Missing Events	Incomplete Summary Items	Missing Summary Items	Missing Procedures

I Forgot My Password. How Do I Reset?



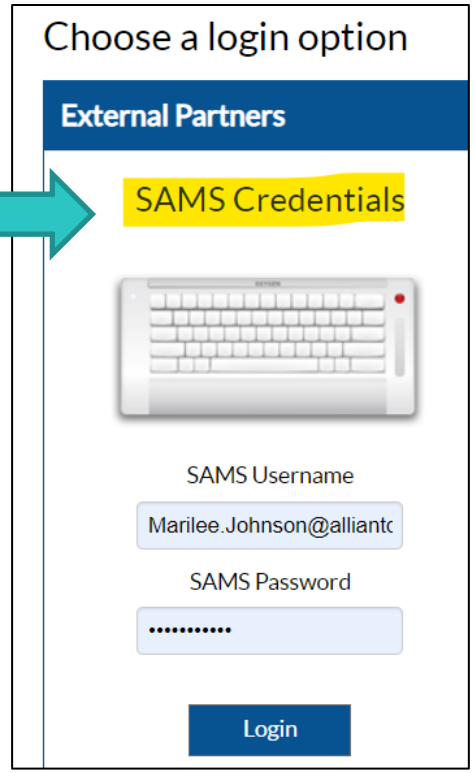
HINT: The USER ID is the email address you use to sign into the SAMS login.

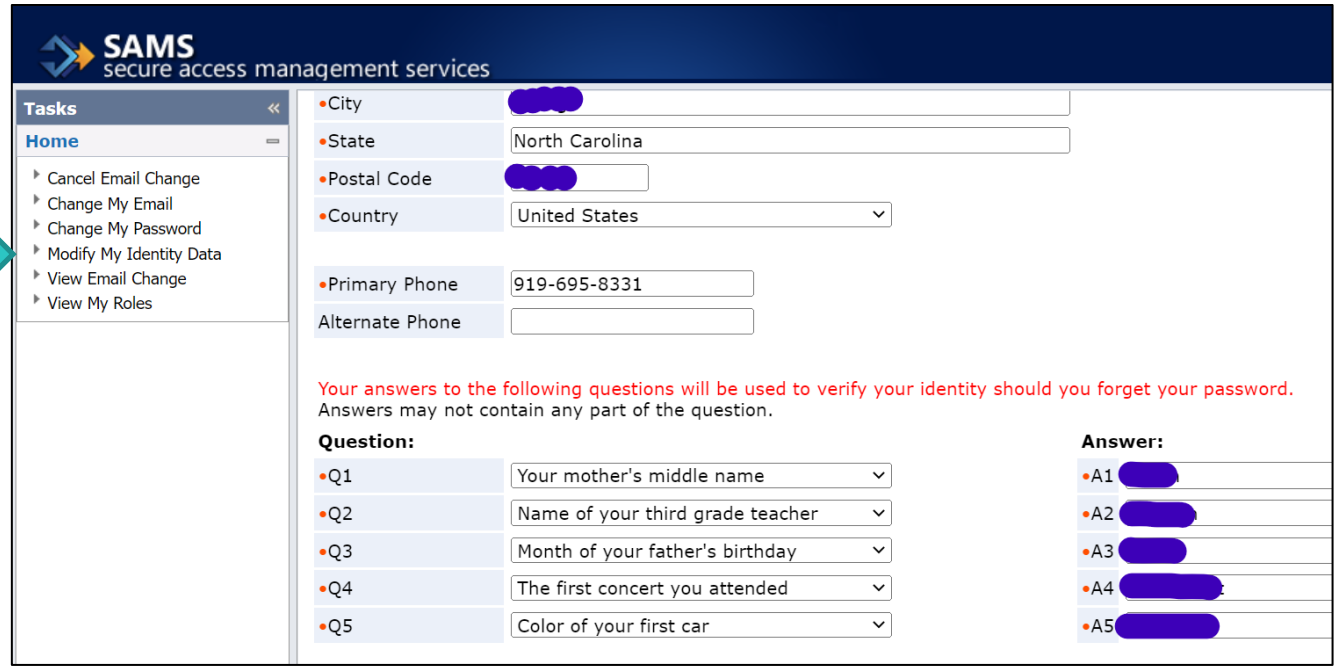
Do you know your security questions? You must answer using correct capitalization.

If You Don't Remember Your Security Questions

You must request the SAMS help desk to terminate your account. Then, email nhsn@cdc.gov and request a new invitation to register. Include your email address and first and last name.

Why risk this? Print out or screenshot your security questions and save them in a secure location. Log in to https://sams.cdc.gov SAMS credential > Click on Modify My Identity Data to view your answers.





How to Request Level-3 Access

To request level 3 access, please contact NHSN@cdc.gov and place in the subject line: SAMS Level 3 Access

Questions?

Thank You for Your Time!
Contact the Patient Safety Team

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Mark Your Calendar!

Shop Talk

3rd Thursdays at 2 p.m. ET

Registration Link

Visit our website for more info:

https://quality.allianthealth.org/topic/shop-talks/

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

OPIOID UTILIZATION AND MISUSE

Promote opioid best practices

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Reduce opioid adverse drug events in all settings

PATIENT SAFETY

Reduce hospitalizations due to c. diff

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Reduce adverse drug events

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Reduce facility acquired infections

CHRONIC DISEASE SELF-MANAGEMENT

Increase instances of adequately diagnosed and controlled hypertension

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Increase use of cardiac rehabilitation programs

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Reduce instances of uncontrolled diabetes

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Identify patients at high-risk for kidney disease and improve outcomes

CARE COORDINATION

Convene community coalitions

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Reduce avoidable readmissions, admissions to hospitals and preventable emergency department visits

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Identify and promote optimal care for super utilizers

COVID-19

Support nursing homes by establishing a safe visitor policy and cohort plan

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Provide virtual events to support infection control and prevention

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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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