Overview of Healthcare Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee

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Healthcare Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee (HICPAC): Overview Of Activities

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Presidential Advisory Committee on Combating Antibiotic Resistant Bacteria
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Healthcare Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee (HICPAC)

• Federal advisory committee of Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)
  • Chartered as federal advisory committee in 1991
  • Public meetings held 3 times per year
  • Additional information: http://www.cdc.gov/hicpac/

• Provides advice and guidance on prevention and control, surveillance, and related issues for healthcare-associated infections, including antimicrobial resistance, across US healthcare settings
HICPAC Composition

14 Public Members
- Healthcare epidemiology
- Infection Prevention
- Infectious diseases
- Clinical microbiology
- Surgery
- Critical Care
- Nursing
- Public health

6 Ex-Officio Members (Federal Agencies)
- Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ)
- Centers for Medicaid & Medicare Services (CMS)
- Food and Drug Administration (FDA)
- Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)
- National Institute of Health (NIH)
- Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)

20 Liaison Organizations

Professional Organizations
- American College of Occupational and Environmental Medicine
- American College of Surgeons
- Association of periOperative Registered Nurses
- Assoc. of Professionals of Infection Control and Epidemiology, Inc.
- Infectious Diseases Society of America
- Society for Healthcare Epidemiology of America
- Society of Critical Care Medicine
- Society of Hospital Medicine
- Surgical Infection Society

Healthcare Organizations
- America’s Essential Hospitals
- American Hospital Association

Consumer Organization
- Consumer’s Union

Public Health Organizations
- Association of State and Territorial Health Officials
- Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists
- National Association of County and City Health Officials
- Public Health Agency of Canada

Accreditation Organizations
- DNV GL Healthcare
- Healthcare Facilities Accreditation Program
- The Joint Commission
Areas of Advice and Guidance to CDC

- **Infection Prevention and Control**
  - Outbreak activities (e.g. Heater-Cooler devices, endoscopes)
  - Evidence-based infection prevention guidelines (e.g., hand hygiene, device and procedure infections, environmental infection control and disinfection)

- **Antimicrobial resistance**
  - Antimicrobial Stewardship

- **Healthcare Surveillance**
  - National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN)

- **Healthcare Policy Issues**
  - Public reporting of healthcare-associated infections (HAIs)
Recent HICPAC Stewardship Activities

  • Published online September, 2016
  • Available at http://www.cdc.gov/hicpac/pubs.html
Opportunities for PAC-CARB

• Incorporating Stewardship and Infection Control into:
  • Clinical education (including continuing education)
  • Residency programs
  • Board certification exam content