

**Healthcare-Associated Infection Advisory Committee**  
**Notes**  
**July 11, 2013**  
**9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.**

**Members in attendance:**

Sylvia Balisteri	Debbie Dutton	Ron Klein	Elizabeth Lueck
Cara Christ	Laura Erhart	Kris Korte	Lynn Luger
Connie Belden	Greg Garcia	Eugene Livar (Interim	Jessica Rigler
Charlie Chapin	Joyce Hospodar	Chair)	

**Visitors in attendance:**

Shane Brady	Teresa Seville
Jessica Francies	Wendy Snyder

**1. Call to Order--Welcome and Introductions**

The Healthcare-Associated Infection (HAI) Advisory Committee (Committee) convened at the Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS), 150 N. 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue, ALS Training Room, Phoenix, Arizona, on July 11, 2013. Eugene Livar, Interim HAI Coordinator, welcomed everyone. No quorum was met but the Committee informally covered and discussed the following agenda items.

**2. Review and Approval of May 7, 2013 Minutes**

The minutes for the May 7, 2013 will be approved at the next meeting. Eugene asked the Committee members to contact him if they have any comments.

**3. NHSN Updates**

Shane Brady, Influenza Epidemiologist with the Arizona Department of Health Services provided NHSN updates. Shane informed the Committee that ADHS has not gained access to NHSN data but have gained access to a test group and test facility.

**4. ADVICE Summary**

Connie Belden provided a presentation that gave an overview of the ADVICE (Arizona Developing Value through Innovation and Communication with ESRD providers) Collaborative Initiative.

**5. Student Intern Project-Dialysis Summary Report**

Kirstie Endrelunas an intern working with Laura Erhart provided details of the Arizona Dialysis Summary Report written by her and Laura that highlights survey findings of the Arizona Dialysis Facility Survey conducted by ADHS to gather information about the current practices and needs of dialysis. The full report will be shared with the Committee.

**6. HAI Coordinator**

Eugene Livar updated the Committee on the hiring of a new ADHS HAI Coordinator. The position description has been finalized and submitted to the Human Resource office.

## **7. CDC Tool Kit for Patient Notification**

Eugene Livar provided details of the CDC's Patient Notification Toolkit recently introduced by CDC to assist with patient notification process and gave a description of the four different sections of the toolkit. A presentation on the toolkit was provided to the Committee members that includes links to the different sections.

## **8. HAI Advisory Subcommittee Updates**

### **a. Antimicrobial Stewardship**

The Antimicrobial Stewardship subcommittee provided the following updates:

- The subcommittee is finalizing the Multidrug-Resistant Organisms (MDRO) fact sheet that will be presented to the Committee at the next meeting.
- The subcommittee is preparing a slide set for education.

### **b. Long Term Care Work Group**

The Long Term Care Work Group subcommittee provided the following updates:

- The subcommittee finalized a revision to allow the transfer tool kit to be used on a regular basis and be more effective. The subcommittee would like to see the transfer tool go on every transfer. The subcommittee mentioned two areas that will be piloting the toolkit. The subcommittee requested the ADHS website be updated to reflect the new toolkit.
- The subcommittee has conducted an evaluation of all infection control deficiencies in 2012 and they gave a brief description in the meeting of the deficiencies. The subcommittee is in the process of identifying some best practices to assist the facilities.

### **c. Training and Education**

The Training and Education subcommittee provided the following updates:

- The subcommittee completed the Pertussis pamphlet and will be presenting the pamphlet at the next Committee meeting.
- The subcommittee is working with the Long Term Care subcommittee with education part of the transfer tool kit.
- The subcommittee is pulling together ideas for the 2013 International Infection Prevention Week. The subcommittee mentioned that a Proclamation announcing the 2013 International Infection Prevention Week on October 20-26, 2013, has been signed by the Governor. ADHS will follow up on the status of receipt of the proclamation.

### **d. Surveillance Strategies**

The Surveillance subcommittee provided the following updates:

- The subcommittee provided an update on the NHSN fact sheet for long term care facilities. The fact sheet has been approved by CDC.
- The subcommittee will be preparing and reviewing the results of the survey particularly the information received on facilities electronic surveillance.

- The subcommittee will be meeting with Laura Erhart to discuss HAI Program involvement in the Meaningful Use during stage three developments.
- The subcommittee will establish links to CMS hospital prepare on the HAI website.

**e. Prevention Strategies**

The Prevention Strategies subcommittee provided the following updates:

- The subcommittee provided an update on the open content calls and expressed some concerns with conducting the calls. The Committee members discussed ways to obtain more participation.

**9. Potential Future Agenda Items**

- Approval of the May 7, 2013 Minutes
- Review and Approval of the Pertussis Pamphlet
- Review and Approval of the Multidrug-Resistant Organisms (MDRO) fact sheet.