Catheter-Associated Urinary Tract Infection Collaborative Commitment Form Skilled Nursing Facility

Insert facility name _____ is committed to reducing catheter-associated urinary tract infections (CAUTI) will participate in the FDOH grant-sponsored collaborative. We will establish and maintain a multidisciplinary team to facilitate the implementation of CDC/HICPAC evidence-based prevention strategies and will track and report outcomes using FDOH data collection tool.

Our multidisciplinary team will include, at a minimum, a senior management leader, clinical champion (R.N. or M.D.), infection control nurse or quality lead, and two direct caregivers. At least one team member is designated as the person responsible for ensuring appropriate data is collected in the FDOH data collection tool.

No facility specific information will be shared. Data will only be shared in aggregate form for the purpose of measuring progress of the collaborative.

Please note: The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) does permit disclosures of protected health information without individual authorization when state law requires or authorizes such disclosures for public health purposes. Per section 45 CFR 164.512(b), for disclosures not required by law, covered entities may still disclose, without patient authorization, to a public health authority authorized by law to collect or receive the information for the purpose of preventing or controlling disease, injury, or disability, the minimum necessary information to accomplish the intended public health purpose of the disclosure [45 CFR 164.512 (b)]. Per FS 381.0011, it is the duty of the Department of Health to assess the public health status and needs of the state through statewide data collection and other appropriate means, with special attention to future needs that may result from population growth, technological advancements, new societal priorities, or other changes and provide for a thorough investigation and study of the incidence, causes, modes of propagation and transmission, and means of prevention, control, and cure of diseases, illnesses, and hazards to human health [FS 381.0011 (1), (6)]. Activities that state health departments engage in to carry out their legal mandate to prevent and control disease are not human subjects research and do not require IRB review, even if they use methods commonly used in research.

Insert facility name _____ will participate in the following required monthly activities:

1. Use McGeers definition for symptomatic urinary tract infection where an indwelling urinary catheter is involved.
2. Submit the previous month's data using the FDOH data collection tool by the 25th of each month to FDOH.
3. Participate in monthly collaboration calls.
4. Implement improvement tools for collaborative (i.e., posters, education, policies).
5. Participate in training on CDC/HICPAC evidence-based prevention strategies.
6. Hold monthly meetings to review data and learn from case reviews.

In addition, we will complete the pre-assessment tool and participate in a minimum of 1 site visit/ regional meeting with FDOH staff. The purpose of site visits is to provide facilities with additional resources, guidance, technical support, and training needed to meet collaborative objectives. Collaborative terminal objectives are, by December 31, 2012, to (1) reduce CAUTIs per 1,000 urinary catheter days by 20% from baseline or to zero (2) reduce device utilization (urinary catheter days/patient days x 100) by 15%.

Signature Skilled Nursing Facility Executive _____ Date _____

Printed Name _____ Title _____

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