

## Happy New Year to our IHA Member Hospitals!

As the New Year kicks off we wanted to share with you all off the different programs the IHA team will have for the first quarter of 2020! These programs have a combination of virtual and in-person opportunities that cover a variety of topic areas listed below:

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If you have any questions please contact your [IHA HIIN Team](#). We look forward to continuing to support the great work you are doing in your organizations.

### **Social Determinants of Health Improvement Action Network (IAN)**

The purpose of this SDOH improvement action network (IAN) is to provide a cohort of HIIN hospitals with an opportunity to receive intensive coaching and feedback on a step by step approach to implementing SDOH screening in the Emergency Department over a ten week period.

Hospitals who participate in this IAN will learn key steps to establish partnerships and identify resources within the community, integrate and design a screening workflow, and screen and refer patients. The program timeline is outlined below. Interested individuals can view additional information about the program, and register to join [here](#)!

#### **Program Timeline:**

- January 16 9:30- 10:30 CT – Kick off Webinar
- January 30 9:30- 10:30 CT – Shared Learning Call
- February 11 9:00 – 3:00 CT – In person regional workshop
- February 27 9:30 – 10:30 CT – Shared Learning Call
- March 12 9:30 – 10:30 CT – Shared Learning Call
- March 26 9:30 – 10:30 CT – Wrap Up Webinar



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## Enhancing Community Partnerships Regional Workshop

The IHA has partnered with Coordinated Care Alliance (CCA) to work with healthcare facilities to enhance their partnership with local community based organizations (CBOs).

Join us for a one day regional workshop where we bring hospitals and their care coordination unit partners together to identify internal resources and referral process, participate in a shared learning discussion, and develop an action plan on how to improve their referral processes.

### Regional Meeting Schedule

- January 29 at Northern Illinois University in Naperville
- February 20 at the Dove Conference Center at HSHS St. John's Hospital in Springfield
- March 25 at the Carbondale Civic Center in Carbondale

The program content will be the same for each regional session. If you are interested in attending an upcoming session, [please complete this sign up form](#).

## Falls and Fall Prevention Webinar Series

Each year, millions of older adults fall, and over 800,000 patients a year are hospitalized as a result of a fall injury. Join us for a three-part webinar series where participants will learn from expert Pat Quigley about the implementation science of fall injury programs, post-fall management strategies and innovation in fall and fall injury prevention.

### When:

#### Tuesdays from 10:00-11:00 CT/ 11:00-12:00 ET

- February 18<sup>th</sup>: Implementation Science: Reengineering Fall and Fall Injury Programs: Infrastructure, Capacity and Sustainability
- March 3<sup>rd</sup>: Post Fall Management – Getting to Types of Falls and Repeat Fallers
- March 17<sup>th</sup>: Innovations in Fall and Fall-Injury Prevention and Reduction Strategies within Hospitals

Invite your fall team to join the 3 part webinar series- including front line nurses, managers, quality and patient safety leaders, and physical therapist! To participate in one or more of the webinars [click here to register!](#)



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## Antibiotic Stewardship Webinar – Innovation in Action

This webinar will feature a Chicago community hospital sharing their story regarding how they designed a process to develop treatment guidelines, created a tracking tool and implemented the same process at a different hospital!

Saint Anthony Hospital in Chicago developed prescribing guidelines and a tracking and monitoring tool to support pharmacy staff that had no infectious disease training. A team from Franciscan Health in Olympia Fields replicated the same process and saw decreases in antibiotic usage.

Invite your antibiotic stewardship team to join this webinar!

### When:

Wednesday March 11, 2020

10:00 am – 11:00 am CT/ 11:00 am – 12:00pm ET

This event is complementary to all IHA Hospital members. **Registration is coming soon! Stay tuned!**

## Methicillin Resistant Staphylococcus aureus

MRSA causes over 80,000 invasive infections and 11,285 related deaths per year. The reduction of MRSA blood-stream infections continues to be a national priority and a focus of the HIIN work.

To support your efforts in this work, we would like to share the on-demand briefing, *Methicillin-Resistant Staphylococcus aureus Bacteremia: Data Validation and Next Steps*.

This brief offering covers the definition of the HIIN MRSA measure, best practices for hospital testing and surveillance, NHSN documentation, and acting on positive results. It can be accessed at:

<https://community.mha.org/viewdocument/methicillin-resistant-staphylococcus-1?CommunityKey=4ab0331c-9624-41ad-8c6c-83734e9baf08&tab=librarydocuments>

We invite your infection prevention and quality improvement team will view this briefing as a resource to support your efforts with reducing MRSA infections in your organization.

## C. difficile Infection

C. difficile infection is estimated to cause almost half a million illnesses in the United States each year, and death 1 in 11 people of the age of 65 within a month of their diagnosis.

Join the IHA for an opportunity to gain insights, best practices and learn how to use simulation to identify gaps in your C. difficile prevention strategy.



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Spots are open for the C. difficile Simulation training on **Wednesday, February 5<sup>th</sup>** at the Jump Training Simulation and Education Center. These sessions will be capped at 25 participants, so [register while spots remain!](#)

The tools and strategies discussed may be implemented in any organization with any level of resources. All events are being offered free of charge to Illinois HIIN hospitals. Receive up to 5.5 contact hours for this event!

### **Ventilator Associated Events**

Join IHA HIIN/ MAPS to for the Ventilator Associated Events Safety Session: Empowering and Engaging Patients and Families while Providing Evidence-Based Care. This is an opportunity to gain insights and best practices to engage staff in the prevention of ventilator associated events in your facility on Wednesday, January 22, 2020. [Register Now!](#)

Participants will learn about VAE surveillance, ABCDEF evidence-based practice bundles and partnering with patients and families to improve care and reduce harm. This safety session will be complimentary to all GLPP-IHA HIIN and MAPS members and provides concepts and clinical operational processes

**When:** Wednesday, January 22, 2020

**Locations:** Naperville and Springfield (IHA offices) and virtual options for those who cannot attend in person.

**Time:** 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

### **Additional VAE Training**

We are very excited to announce the newly added [VAE Critical Care curriculum](#) to our simulation training schedule. The first training of 2020 will be held on **Tuesday, March 3, 2020 from 9am to 1pm** at the **Jump Trading Simulation and Education Center in Peoria Illinois.**

These training events will be highly engaging and emphasize the use of simulation-based strategies to facilitate change in Illinois hospitals. Our focus in these events will be to provide attendees with simulation-based tools and techniques to augment the pursuit of higher quality care, patient safety and healthcare resiliency at the unit level.

These sessions are feature hands-on, interactive learning opportunities, so gather your teams and [REGISTER NOW!](#)



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## Pressure Injury

Join us for Pressure injury prevention (PIP) Safety Session: Identifying Gaps in Care and Adopting Crossing Cutting Strategies to Reduce Harm Across the Board on **Wednesday, February 12, 2020!**

Pressure injuries cause extensive health issues and are one of the largest challenges organizations encounter on a daily basis.

Participants will hear from national and state content experts to learn about the importance of present on admission documentation, coding opportunities and solutions. We will explore cross cutting strategies to reduce harm across the board through Integrating PFE, Safe Patient Handling and Mobility into PIP. [Register Now!](#)

**When:** Wednesday, Wednesday February 12, 2020!

**Locations:** Naperville and Springfield (IHA offices) and virtual options for those who cannot attend in person.

**Time:** 10:00 am to 4:00 pm