

PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF INFECTIONS IN CARE HOMES

America Square Conference Centre, London EC3
Tuesday 22 June 2010

“Under the Health & Social Care Act 2008, from April 2010 the NHS and from October 2010 all providers of adult social care and independent healthcare will be registered against the same registration framework including cleanliness and infection control requirements. [...] There is an urgent need to ensure that good infection control practice is consistently but proportionately applied in all sectors so that the numbers of infections can be reduced and benefit service users.”

The Health and Social Care Act 2008: Code of Practice for health and adult social care on the prevention and control of infections and related guidance

Improving the prevention and control of healthcare acquired infections (HCAI) is a national priority and ensuring the quality of existing services is no exception. Following the release of the new Code of Practice, there has never been a better time for this one day conference, developed to provide delegates with firsthand knowledge on critical topics including what the Code demands from care homes, the legal risks, the extent and costs of HCAI, among many others.

This is a must attend event in which Department of Health and CQC representatives along with many other knowledgeable professionals will give crucial guidance and examples of good practice to help independent providers of adult social care interpret and comply with the demanding Code requirements.

Prevention and control of infections in care homes

Chair: Frank Ursell, Chief Executive Officer, Registered Nursing Home Association (RNHA)

09.15 **Registration & coffee**

09.40 **Chair's opening remarks**

09.45 **The Health & Social Care Act: The Department of Health Strategy to battle HCAI**

- National support: update from the Department of Health
- The Health and Social Care Act – its relevance for care homes.
- The improvement journey to clean safe care

Sally Batley, Head of Improvement Network HCAI and DSSA Programmes, Department of Health.

10.10 **The Code of Practice – Infection control guidance for Care Homes**

- Regulation on the prevention and control of infection
- Adult Social Care and Independent Healthcare registration requirements for 2010

Richard Elson, Development Manager, Healthcare Associated Infections, Regulation & Strategy, CQC

10.35 **Legal risks and their avoidance - Infection prevention and control responsibilities**

- Risk management
- Who is responsible for what?
- Compliance criteria: what the provider of care will need to demonstrate
- Implementing change and challenging poor practice

Lynn Aglionby, Partner, Trowers & Hamlins

11.00 **Open forum**

11.15 **Morning coffee**

11.45 **Essential Standards of Quality and Safety**

- The social and economic impact of HCAI
- Self assessment
- Challenges for residents and carers
- Occupational exposure

Frank Ursell, Chief Executive Officer, Registered Nursing Home Association (RNHA)

12.05 **Spread and decontamination of infections in care homes**

- How infections are spread - risk factors
- Decontamination methods
- What to do in an outbreak?
- Judicious antibiotic prescribing

Edwina Currie, Patron, MRSA Action UK

12.25 **Practicalities and costs**

- Evaluating the extent and cost of HCAI
- What do the compliance criteria mean in practice?
- Issues for care homes: how to afford staff training
- Continuous monitoring to sustain progress

Ginny Storey, Head of Care and Clinical Governance, Anchor Trust

12.45 **Open forum**

13.00 **Networking lunch**

14.00 **Case Study: Working together to fight HCAI**

- Corporate focus
- A successful operational strategy

Helga Goutcher, Head of Clinical Practice, Bupa

14.20 **Essential steps to safe, clean care**

- New developments in support & training
- Minimising infection risks
- Surveillance and audit
- Prevention of occupational exposure
- Engaging patients in a culture of infection control

Kate Morrow, Nurse Consultant, Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire Health Protection Unit, Health Protection Agency

14.40 **HCAI rates in nursing home resident populations**

- Survey study on 15 care homes sample
- Common types of infections

Carol Roberts, Health Protection Nurse, Public Health Wales

15.00 **Case Study II: The bug stops here - how excellence in practice prevented the spread**

- An example of good practice in the compliance with IPC standards within care homes

Frances Gibson, Director of Nursing, Clinical and Care Governance, Residential Care Services; and Christine Powell, IPC Nurse, Care UK

15.20 **Open forum**

15.40 **Afternoon tea and close**

The Speakers

SALLY BATLEY is the Head of the Improvement Network for the HCAI and Cleanliness Division at the Department of Health within the CNO Directorate. Previously she was Head of the Intelligence and Assurance team. Her current focus is on how boards assure themselves, good governance, reliability and patient safety.

RICHARD ELSON is Development Manager, Healthcare Associated Infections, Regulation & Strategy for the Care Quality Commission. Richard qualified as an Environmental Health Practitioner in 1990 and has completed an MSc in Control of Infectious Diseases at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine in 2000. Richard joined the Healthcare Commission in October 2007 which was subsumed into the Care Quality Commission on the 1st April 2009.

LYNN AGLIONBY is a health and care specialist advising care provider clients in relation to all aspects of regulation and relevant legislation including mental capacity and consent issues, data protection and information governance, health & safety, risk management and care related disputes. Lynn has experience of representing public and private sector clients in the full spectrum of court proceedings including inquests in coroners courts. She speaks regularly on a wide range of topics on care and health issues.

FRANK URSELL is the Chief Executive Officer of the Registered Nursing Home Association. He has been a nursing home owner since 1983 and has been involved at National level with the Registered Nursing Home Association since 1986, becoming Chief Executive Officer in 1997.

GINNY STOREY joined Anchor Trust in April 2009 as Head of Care and Clinical Governance, having previously worked for CSCI as Head of Quality and Health Policy for four years. She has held a number of Director of Nursing posts in the NHS.

HELGA GOUTCHER is Head of Clinical Practice at Bupa. Helga is a healthcare professional with extensive experience of working in both the NHS and Independent Sector at a senior level. She has been employed in Bupa for 12 years and is currently the clinical practice head with the organisational lead for infection control.

KATE MORROW qualified in 1994 and worked as a community nurse until specialising in infection control in 1996. Kate completed a BSc Infection Control in 1997 and is currently studying MSc Infectious Diseases at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine. Kate joined the HPA in 2004 and is currently Acting Nurse Consultant at Bedfordshire & Hertfordshire Health Protection Unit.

CAROL ROBERTS is Health Protection Nurse within the Health Protection Division of Public Health Wales. Her team's remit is the surveillance, prevention and control of communicable disease and infection within the community and she has been in post since 1996. She has been fortunate to experience infection control management from both an acute and community perspective and have a specific interest in infection prevention and control.

FRANCES GIBSON is Director of Nursing, Clinical and Care Governance at Care UK. With a keen interest in clinical audit and clinical governance Frances worked in two PCTs in East Anglia, developing systems and processes to support continuous quality improvement. Moving to Care UK four years ago, she has continued to

develop Clinical and Care Governance systems focused on the specific needs of older people within her care.

CHRISTINE POWELL joined Care UK in June 2009. She is the Infection Prevention and Control Manager for the Social Care Division, which encompasses residential, specialist (including mental health, learning disability and childrens' services) and community care services. Christine has extensive experience working within the health and social care sector, including working as an Infection Control Sister in a 3-hospital Acute Hospital Trust and Clinical Risk & Audit Co-ordinator for theatres, day surgery & endoscopy. More recently, Christine has worked for a category B prison providing health care for 1000 prisoners.

Who should attend

This conference will attract providers and purchasers from all areas of the long term care sector currently engaged in the prevention and control of infection:

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- Suppliers of medical equipment
- Directors of Clinical Risk
- Directors of Infection Control
- Clinical Governance Co-ordinators
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- Training and Education Managers
- Infection Control Advisors
- Infection Control Nurses
- Modern Matrons
- Nursing Home Co-ordinators
- Care Homes Managers

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