## Healthcare Associated Infection Advisory Committee
**December 2, 2016, 9:30AM-Noon**

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I. Call to order
   a. Meeting called to order at 9:33 by Kelly Gardner, Chair.

II. Approval of minutes
    a. Minutes approved as written.

III. Old Business
a. CRE Reporting Requirements  
   i. Make changes to align with CDC approved by DPH  
b. CDC - ASTHO update  
   i. Region 3 conference call  
   ii. Donna Will work on contacting Suzanne Raab-Long and Bethany Hall-Long  
c. Update from Emergency Medical Services and Preparedness Section  
   i. No update.  
d. Outpatient Facilities and oversight  
   i. Working on contact with Bethany Hall-Long, will she have time after inauguration?  
e. Antibiotic Stewardship plans  
   i. Creating new HAIAC Sub-committee, will vote for SC Chair with current HAIAC elections  
f. Ebola Supplemental funding – update  
   i. Jennifer Zambri – continuing efforts  
      1. Presentation updates  
g. 2016-2017 Flu season  
   i. 20+ cases so far 2016-2017 Flu Season,  
   ii. Zero new cases in last week, though the numbers were increasing.  
h. Public Meeting Notice  
   i. Email with list of dates and locations sent to OHRC to be published to the Public Calendar on Jan 4, 2017 by Suzanne  
i. HAIAC 2 year leadership cycle – nominations – include new Antimicrobial Stewardship Subcommittee  
   i. A recommendation was made to add Pharmacy as HAIAC appointed positions  
      1. Regulations Subcommittee will have oversight.  

IV. New Business  
   a. Overview of DE state Ebola Concept of Operations: Cathleen Rossi  
      i. Draft version rolled out on July 13  
      ii. Final report will be made public  
      iii. The detailed multi-step process is explained from ramp-up to ramp-down  
         1. Communication  
         2. Human waste  
         3. Medical waste  
         4. Death  
         5. Pets  
         6. PPE stockpiles, how to maintain integrity  
   b. Tracking Carbapenem resistance in DE, Deb Rutledge – Greg Hovan presented information  
      i. Labs know to report
ii. Use HAIAC to publicize need to report
   1. Communications will have oversight.

V. Subcommittee Reports
   a. Regulations – Kathy Wroten
      i. Walk-in clinics are regulated by state
         1. New Hampshire has Code and Regulations for non-emergency care, Kathy will share link with Suzanne to send to HAIAC.
         2. North Carolina has Duke Infection Control Network
         4. Need to check with Bethany Hall-Long to help support this.
   b. Membership – Donna Anderson
      i. Still have ID Physician vacancy – can DPH fill this post?
      ii. Mention for Suzanne Raab-Long to fill DE Healthcare Facilities Association or possibly Yrene Waldron.
      1. Confirm with Donna Anderson
      iii. Pharmacy is not included in the HAIAC code/regulation. Regulations Subcommittee will address the following:
         1. Should Regulations SC take this up?
         2. Is there wording in the DE Code that permits DPH to make changes to HAIAC makeup?
   c. Prevention – Helene Paxton
      i. Has anyone used the Hand Hygiene Check-lists – Medication Administration, Oncology, Anesthesiology, and Ambulatory Surgery?
         1. Some pushback received from Anesthesiology and Medication Administration, has heard nothing from Oncology or Surgery
         2. Request feedback from HAIAC by January 30
            a. The HH Checklists were created to be a realistic expectation for HH in various healthcare settings balancing requirements with real life. CMS gave their approval.
            b. The tools balance practice reality with requirements.
      ii. Mock survey – metrics have changed, awaiting results from four-day survey
      iii. Sally Jennings from Quality Insights – no HAI survey due to contract changes.
         1. Is working on poster, will include HAIAC and DPH logos.
            a. Judy will put poster on Website.
      iv. C.dif reduction
         1. What is needed to assist acute care and long-term care facilities?
         2. Received gap analysis – looks like Patient and Family education is lacking.
   v. Colon Surgery facilities – problem with FSI
      1. Received protocol from BayHealth, awaiting info from Duke Bundle
2. Looking for common ground use
3. Trinity sending out requirements
4. Survey monkey tool may be useful
   a. BayHealth will share protocol from BH Survey Monkey
   b. Responses from doctors/surgeons.
vi. Rights conferred to Quality Insights
   1. As of Oct 31 QI no longer has (official) access
      a. Judy will work with Sally to determine if she can create
         same reports from NHSN.
      b. Can DPH solicit needs from HAIAC?
      c. Judy can help:
         i. Provider directory
         ii. Family antibiotics
         iii. Needs assessment
         iv. Table-top exercise HAI Outbreak
         v. Train new contractor
vii. Plan is for new Antibiotic Stewardship SC to reach out to healthcare
     providers, community and healthcare facilities including long-term care
     facilities.
d. Reports & Communications – Judy Walrath
   i. Developed agenda and goals for new Antibiotic Stewardship
      Subcommittee.
   ii. 2015 report
      1. Is Working on completion of consumer-friendly 2015 report based
         on CDC guidelines. Report will include healthcare worker
         vaccination information.
      2. Conferring rights –
         a. Need updates from facilities for reporting plan/info
         b. Same template for all facilities
         c. Long-term care is CMS requirement will work with Helene
            post 2015 consumer report on HAIAC website.

VI. Open Discussion

VII. Adjournment
August 2, 2016

Tabitha Offutt-Powell, DrPH
State Epidemiologist
Delaware Division of Public Health
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RE: Definition of carbapenem-resistant *Enterobacteriaceae* (CRE)

Dear Dr. Offutt-Powell,

At the last Delaware Healthcare-Associated Infections Advisory Committee (HAIAC) meeting on June, the Committee endorsed and recommended that the Delaware Division of Public Health change its surveillance definition for CRE to be in alignment with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s (CDC) CRE definition. Having a separate definition is confusing for front-line providers and in our view does not add benefit to Delaware’s surveillance program.

Our proposed change is from the current Delaware CRE definition:
- *Enterobacteriaceae* that are nonsusceptible (i.e., intermediate or resistant) to a carbapenem (including ertapenem, imipenem, meropenem and doripenem)

To the current (Nov 2015) CDC definition¹:
- *Enterobacteriaceae* that are:
  - Resistant to any carbapenem antimicrobial (i.e., minimum inhibitory concentrations of ≥2 mcg/ml for doripenem, meropenem, or imipenem OR ≥2 mcg/ml for ertapenem)
  - OR
  - Documented to produce carbapenemase

In addition:
- For bacteria that have intrinsic imipenem nonsusceptibility (i.e., *Morganella morgani*, *Proteus* spp., *Providencia* spp.), resistance to carbapenems other than imipenem is required.

This recommendation was approved by the HAIAC on June 24, 2016. Thank you for your consideration of this proposed surveillance definition change.

The HAIAC requests the following clarification:
1. Determine if the State of Delaware requirements fall under Delaware Code or Delaware Regulation,
2. Advise appropriate steps to make changes to the existing requirement to align Delaware reporting requirements to those of the CDC.

Sincerely,

Kelly Gardiner, R.N. BSN CIC
Chair, Delaware HAIAC

HAIAC MEETING ACCESS AND LOCATION

- Telephone Conference connection is available for all meetings from any location.
  Telephone Conference System:
    Phone 302-526-5475;  Passcode 265238
- Physical location for all HAIAC 2017 meetings: Office of Performance Management, Edgehill Shopping Center, Dover.
- HAIAC 2017 Meeting Dates
  - March 24
  - June 23
  - September 22
  - December 01, the 1st Friday in December (2015 & 2016 were both originally scheduled on the 2nd Friday in December but changed to the first to avoid conflict with the Communicable Disease Summit)