

NEVADA HEALTHCARE-ASSOCIATED INFECTION (HAI) TASK FORCE MINUTES

September 16, 2016
10:30 a.m.

Place of Meeting:

Division of Public and Behavioral Health
3811 W. Charleston Blvd.
Suite 205
Las Vegas, Nevada 89102

Video Conferenced to:

Division of Public and Behavioral Health
4150 Technology Way
Room 301
Carson City, Nevada 89706

Teleconference Line:

Dial-In Toll Free Number 1-775-887-5619
Conference Code 2001#

TASK FORCE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Kimisha Causey, Health Program Specialist II, Office of Public Health Informatics and Epidemiology (OPHIE), HAI Coordinator
Daniel Mackie, Disease Control Specialist, Proxy for Ihsan Azzam, Medical Epidemiologist, (OPHIE)
Dustin Boothe, Carson City Health and Human Services (CCHHS)
Ellen DePrat, HealthInsight
Kathy Johnson, University Medical Center Hospital (UMC)
Marissa Brown, Nevada Hospital Association (NHA)
Zuwen Qiu-Shultz, Southern Nevada Health District Office of Epidemiology (SNHD)

TASK FORCE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Elena Mnatsakanyan, Northern Nevada Medical Center (NNMC)
Ihsan Azzam, Medical Epidemiologist, (OPHIE)
Joan Hall, President, Nevada Rural Hospital Partners (NRHP)
Linda Feola, St. Rose Dominican Hospitals

NEVADA DIVISION OF PUBLIC AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH STAFF PRESENT:

Malinda Southard, Health Program Specialist I, Public Health Preparedness (PHP)
Judy Dumonte, Health Program Specialist I, (OPHIE)
David Schmitt-Culp, Health Facilities Inspector I, (OPHIE)
Jessica Conner, Health Facilities Inspector II, (OPHIE)
Laura Erskine, Sentinel Event Registrar & Interstate Communication Control Records Coordinator, (OPHIE)
Melissa Bullock, State Epidemiologist, (OPHIE)

OTHERS PRESENT:

Christine Hartman, Nevada State Public Health Laboratory (NVPHL)
David Woodard, University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV)
Linda Verchick, Southern Nevada Health District Office of Epidemiology (SNHD)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Kimisha Causey called the Nevada Healthcare Associated Infection (HAI) Task Force meeting to order at **10:30 a.m.** This meeting was video conferenced from the Health Care Quality and Compliance (HCQC) office in Las Vegas to the Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health in Carson City. This was a public meeting and the public was invited to make comments. In accordance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law [NRS 241.020](#) & [NRS 232.2175](#) this meeting agenda was posted at the following locations: Health Care Quality and Compliance (HCQC), Las Vegas; Nevada Department Health and Human

Services (NDHHS), Carson City; NDPBH, Las Vegas; NDPBH, Carson City; Nevada State Library Archives, Carson City; Legislative Council Bureau, Carson City; Grant Sawyer Building, Las Vegas; WCHD, Reno; Elko County Library, Elko; the NVHAI web site at http://dphh.nv.gov/Programs/HAI/dta/HAI_Advisory_Group/; and the public notice web site at notice.nv.gov.

2. INTRODUCTIONS/ROLL CALL – CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Introductions were made at all locations/teleconference line and quorum was met.

3. FIRST PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Causey announced the First Public Comment Session and invited members of the public to speak. Hearing no comments, Ms. Causey moved to the next agenda item.

4. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES - JUNE 17, 2016

Ms. Causey stated that meeting minutes from the previous meeting were not complete so they will be reviewed at the next meeting.

5. UPDATE ON VACOMYCIN-RESISTANT ENTEROCOCCUS (VRE)

Dr. Alexander J, Kallen MD, MPH at the Center for Disease Control (CDC) advised Mr. Mackie to send isolates to CDC for testing. Two isolates were sent to the CDC from (SNHD,) Ms. Qiu-Shultz will provide an update to Ms. Causey, when the results are returned from the CDC.

6. HAND WASHING EDUCATION

Ms. Causey will gather tools and create questions for hand hygiene survey and present the questions to the group at the next meeting.

7. ADOPT THE WYOMING INFECTION PREVENTION ORIENTATION MANUAL AS A TEMPLATE

Ms. Causey stated for those who are task force members we can go ahead and take a vote on if we want to work with this tool for Nevada.

MOTION: Ms. Johnson put it on the table to adopt the Wyoming Infection Prevention Orientation Manual as a template for the state of Nevada
SECOND: Ms. Brown seconded the motion
PASSED: All were in favor and the motion carried unanimously

Ms. Causey stated a group will be formed to work on updating the Wyoming Infection Prevention Orientation Manual for Nevada. Ms. Causey stated who would like to participate in the group. Mr. Woodard, Ms. Johnson, Ms. Brown, Ms. DePrat and Ms. Causey have volunteered to be part of the group. Mr. Boothe will check to see if Ali Garcia would like to participate in the group and let Ms. Causey know. Ms. Qiu-Shultz will check with their microbiologist at the lab and see if they will review the chapter regarding Laboratory and Microbiology.

8. FUTURE MEETING DATES

Ms. Causey stated the next meeting will be Friday, January 20th at 10:30am to 12:30pm.

9. SECOND PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Causey announced the First Public Comment Session and invited members of the public to speak. Hearing no comments, Ms. Causey moved to adjourn the meeting.

10. ADJOURMENT

Ms. Causey adjourned the meeting at **11:28 a.m.**