

CUSP: STOP BSI



Program Description

The CUSP: STOP BSI project is a national collaborative designed to improve the culture of safety and specific clinical outcomes in the intensive care unit. The collaboration will leverage the experience of the Johns Hopkins Quality and Safety Research Group (JHU QSRG), Michigan Health and Hospital Association Keystone Center, Health Research and Educational Trust (HRET) and hospitals from 28 states over three years. The specific program components include implementation of the comprehensive unit-based safety program (CUSP), and activities to measure and eliminate central line associated blood stream infections (CLABSI). Additional hospital-acquired infections may be addressed based on participating hospitals interest and time.

Benefits of Participating in this Project

Each year, 250,000 cases of CLABSI occur in U.S. hospitals with 18 percent of those cases resulting in death. In addition to the hardship this causes to our patients, physicians and hospital staff, CLABSIs account for \$3 billion in excess health care costs per year.

The good news is that CLABSIs are often preventable and we have the science and methods to prevent them. How do we know this? Working with the JHU QSRG and the Michigan Hospital Association Keystone Center, Michigan hospitals have nearly eliminated CLABSIs in 103 intensive care units and have sustained these gains for four years. By participating in this project, your hospital will have access to education, strategies, benchmarks, and lessons learned from hospitals throughout the U.S. so that your hospital can join the ranks of those dedicated to eliminating CLABSIs.



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Schedule of Activities

May - June 2009:	Hospital enrollment
July - August 2009:	Weekly conference calls
September - October 2009:	First full day workshop*
October 2009:	Data submission training
November 2009:	Monthly conference calls begin

**There will be one full day workshop in year 2 and 3 of the project.*

Eligible Hospitals

All Wisconsin hospitals are eligible to participate in this project through the Wisconsin Hospital Association. Your hospital does not need to have a designated intensive care unit to participate.

Expectations of Hospital

Each participating hospital is expected to collect and report data on specific measures and implement interventions during the course of the project. Team members are expected to participate in shared learning sessions including one face-to-face workshop each year and monthly conference calls for coaching and problem solving.

Participation Cost

There are no program costs to hospitals that choose to participate in the project. Hospital staff time and resources used for data collection and improvement, as well as travel expenses to attend the workshops will be the responsibility of the participating hospital.

How to Enroll

Complete the attached enrollment form, including a signature from the hospital's CEO/Administrator, and return it to Brian Competente via e-mail (bcompetente@wha.org) or fax (608-274-8554) by June 26, 2009.

Additional Information

For more information about this project, contact Dana Richardson at 608-274-1820 or drichardson@wha.org. For questions regarding completion of the enrollment form, contact Brian Competente at 608-274-1820 or bcompetente@wha.org.

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Team Members

Each participating hospital will define their own team based on organizational structure and resources. Each team should have, at a minimum, the following members:

- Senior executive champion
- Physician champion
- Nursing champion

Other critical team members based on your hospital's staffing model may include:

- Infection control practitioner
- Bedside nurse
- Respiratory therapist
- Quality improvement specialist
- Pharmacist
- Staff educator
- Environmental services

Enrollment Form

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- YES, my hospital would like to participate in the CUSP Project.
By the signature below, we agree to fulfill the requirements outlined in the Expectations of Hospital.

CEO/Administrator Name:

Signature:

Organization:

Address:

City, State, Zip:

Project Team Leader Name:

Team Leader Title:

Team Leader Email:

Team Leader Phone:

Team Leader Fax:

Other core team member names and titles:

Name:

Title:

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