

# Call to action



## STOP Infections Now Collaborative

The Canadian Patient Safety Institute's *Safer Healthcare Now!* invites you to participate in the STOP Infections Now Collaborative.



### The Problem: Healthcare-Associated Infections

MRSA, VRE, and *C. difficile* are three bacteria commonly found in Canadian healthcare settings. They can cause symptoms ranging from asymptomatic colonization to septic shock and death.

Each year about 8,000 Canadians die from healthcare-associated infections; 220,000 others get infected. Treatment is more costly than prevention; estimated costs for 2004 were \$82 million. Costs are estimated at \$129 million for 2010. That's \$12,216 per infected MRSA patients per year due to:

- Prolonged hospitalization
- Special control measures
- Expensive treatments
- Extensive surveillance

### A Solution: The STOP Infections Now Collaborative

The **STOP Infections Now Collaborative** will help participating institutions improve compliance with evidence based strategies to reduce healthcare-associated infections; including hand hygiene, environmental cleaning, and surveillance. Liberating structures (including positive deviance) and the model for improvement will be used to engage people in changing behaviors and promote a culture change that fosters ownership and participation.

Participants will attend 7 virtual learning sessions over a 12 month period, in addition to monthly support calls and an additional 6 month period of ongoing support.

### Who Should Enrol?

If you work in acute or long term care, or anyone who wants to help their institution reduce healthcare-associated infections join now! Teams that enroll must have senior leadership support, willingness to rapidly test and implement local solutions and actively share learning and data with other teams.

### Timeline

Teams will be committing to a 12+6 month collaborative, with the first learning sessions scheduled for November 10<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> 2011. Two **FREE** information sessions are scheduled for October 5<sup>th</sup> and October 12<sup>th</sup> 2011.

#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

- Learning Session 1  
November 10, 2011
- Learning Session 2  
November 16, 2011
- Learning Session 3  
November 23, 2011
- Learning Session 4  
February 29<sup>th</sup>, 2012
- Learning Session 5  
March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2012
- Learning Session 6  
June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2012
- Learning Session 7  
October/November 2012

All sessions scheduled from:

1:30 pm NDT; 1pm ADT;  
12pm EST; 11:00 am CDT;  
10:00am MDT; 9:00 am  
PDT

Registration Opens  
September 2011

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## Collaborative Advantages

- 12+6 month learning collaborative: 12 months of learning sessions and 6 months of follow-up support from faculty and coaches
- Monthly support calls
- Ongoing support through access to expert faculty
- Access to other facilities that have already had success with these methods
- Measurement and data analysis

## Expectations

- Completion of team charter
- Minimum of 2 team members participate in each learning session
- Monthly data submission over the course of the 12+6 month collaborative
- Active participation on the Community of Practice

## How to register

Visit the *Safer Healthcare Now!* website at [www.saferhealthcarenow.ca](http://www.saferhealthcarenow.ca) to register OR for more information about the collaborative contact

- Paige Reason at 416-340-4800 ext. 8365 or [Paige.Reason@uhn.ca](mailto:Paige.Reason@uhn.ca)
- Anne MacLaurin at 1-866-421-6933 (toll-free) or [amaclaurin@cpsi-icsp.ca](mailto:amaclaurin@cpsi-icsp.ca)

## Cost

Participation in this collaborative for the 18-month period will cost \$1,000 per team of 7 people. This fee partially covers the cost of Learning Sessions, conference calls and Faculty support.

## For More Information About the Collaborative:

### Join our FREE Information Sessions:

- [Click Here](#) for Information Session 1: October 5<sup>th</sup> 2011
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All Learning Sessions and Team Calls will use WebEx Technology. Updates will be posted to [www.saferhealthcarenow.ca](http://www.saferhealthcarenow.ca)

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