

INFECTION PREVENTION & CONTROL

HEALTH CARE-ASSOCIATED INFECTION INDICATOR DEFINITIONS SURVEILLANCE IN ACUTE CARE AND PERSONAL CARE HOME

Regional Infection Prevention & Control Team

April 2020 - March 2021

Targeted Surveillance of Health Care-Associated Infections

Southern Health-Santé Sud (SH-SS) is committed to monitoring and reducing health care-associated infections (HAIs) throughout all acute care and personal care home settings within the region. A large percentage of HAIs are preventable and the scientific literature has established that incorporating surveillance systems into infection prevention and control (IP&C) activities are a means to reduce the frequency of these infections and improve patient safety.

The purpose of performing surveillance of HAIs is as follows:

- To assess the frequency and type of infections clients acquire within health care facilities in SH-SS in order to institute quality improvement initiatives that minimize the number of HAIs that occur;
- To detect clusters of infection, outbreaks, and emerging trends in infection transmission, to intervene as appropriate, and improve the safety of client care provided within SH-SS:
- To meet reporting requirements for Manitoba Health, Healthy Living and Seniors, Personal Care Home (PCH) Standards, and Communicable Disease Control (CDC) protocols and guidelines, as well as Accreditation Canada.
 - ACCREDITATION CANADA REQUIRED ORGANIZATIONAL PRACTICES: 1) Health care-associated infections are tracked, information is analyzed to
 identify outbreaks and trends, and this information is shared throughout the organization; 2) Compliance with accepted hand hygiene practices is
 measured.
- To monitor the effectiveness of the SH-SS Infection Prevention & Control program and ensure it is evidence based.

One of the most important steps when implementing any surveillance program is the appropriate selection and use of surveillance indicators. Surveillance indicators are used to measure either an outcome that is related to health care (such as an infection or fall) or a process (such as compliance with a specific protocol). Targeted surveillance looks at only specific infections or procedures that are more common/relevant to SH-SS or that are required by Manitoba Health Seniors and Healthy Living (MHSAL) and Accreditation Canada. This document includes the targeted indicators determined by IP&C for SH-SS, the current case definitions and the rate calculation to determine rates of infection.

The document includes the following:

- Personal Care Home Surveillance Indicators p. 3-14
 - o Table 1 Definitions for Constitutional Criteria in Residents of Personal Care Homes p. 15
 - o Table 2 Confusion Assessment Method Criteria p. 15
- Acute Care Surveillance Indicators p. 16-25
 - Acute Care (Surgical Sites only) HA Surgical Site Infection Definitions/Safer Healthcare Now Strategies p. 25-28
 - Table 3 Surveillance Periods for SSI Following Selected NHSN Operative Procedure Categories p. 29
 - o Table 4 − Specific Sites of an Organ/Space SSI − p. 30
- Hand Hygiene Observational Audits Indicator Definitions p. 31
- References p. 32

Personal Care Home Surveillance Indicators

Health Care-Associated Infections (HAI) - Total

Source: National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) Patient Safety Component Manual, Chapter 2 Identifying Healthcare-associated Infections (HAI) for NHSN Surveillance, January 2019

SH-SS HAI rate /1000 client days

To standardize the classification of an infection as present on admission (POA) or a healthcare-associated infection (HAI), the following objective surveillance definitions and guidance are used. Note: This does not apply to surgical site infections (SSI) surveillance.

Total # of all HAIs x 1000
Total # of client days*

HAIs reported include targeted and non-targeted HAIs

2017-2018: PCH 2.4

Date of Event (DOE)

The DOE is the date of the first documented <u>localized</u> sign or symptom used to meet the specific site of infection criterion. For example, diarrhea, site-specific pain, purulent drainage are localized signs or symptoms. Note that a non-specific sign or symptom for example, fever is not considered to be localized. Therefore if fever presented 2 days prior to localized signs or symptoms, the day the fever presented is not considered the DOE. Note: accurate determination of DOE is critical because DOE is used to determine if an infection is HAI or POA, location of attribution, and device association.

Present on Admission (POA)

An infection is considered POA if the DOE occurs during the POA time period, which is defined as the day of admission to an inpatient location (calendar day 1), the 2 days before admission, and the calendar day after admission.

Health Care-associated Infection (HAI)

The infection is considered HAI if the DOE occurs on or after the 3rd calendar day of admission to an inpatient location where day of admission is calendar day 1.

Reactivation of a **latent** infection is not considered to be a HAI; for example but not limited to herpes, shingles, syphilis, or tuberculosis.

Repeat Infection Timeframe (RIT)

The RIT is a 14-day timeframe during which no new infections of the same type are reported. RIT applies to both POA and HAI determinations. The DOE is Day 1 of the 14-day RIT. If criteria for the same type of infection are met and the DOE is within the 14-day RIT, a new infection is not reported. The RIT applies during a client's single admission, including the day of discharge and the day after, in keeping with the Transfer Rule. An RIT does not carry over from one admission to another even if readmission is to the same facility.

Transfer Rule

If the DOE is on the date of transfer or discharge, or the next day, the infection is attributed to the transferring/discharging location. This is called the Transfer Rule. If the client was in multiple locations within the transfer rule time frame, attribute the infection to the <u>first</u> location in which the client was housed the <u>day before</u> the infection's DOE.

Receiving locations or facilities should share information about such HAIs with the transferring location or facility to enable accurate reporting.

Location of Attribution (LOA)

The LOA is the inpatient location where the client was assigned on the date of infection.

*For PCH surveillance, Client days refer to Resident – Days in Home (represents the actual stay of a resident in a PCH, excludes all leave days).

Antibiotic Resistant Organisms

Methicillin Resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA)

Source: 1) Canadian Nosocomial Infection Surveillance Program (CNISP) 2017 Surveillance Protocol for MRSA Infections in CNISP Hospitals, Revised January 23, 2017

2) Manitoba Health, Seniors and Active Living ARO Definitions, November 2018

Methicillin Resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA)

MRSA data is reported in two categories:

- Cases of new colonization (new cases of MRSA never been reported previously)
- Cases of new infection (in new and known cases of MRSA)

COLONIZATION

SH-SS HA MRSA colonization rate /1000 client days

2017-2018:

PCH 0

MRSA colonization surveillance inclusion criteria:

- Isolation of Staphylococcus aureus from any body site AND
- Resistance of isolate to oxacillin
- Client must be admitted to a health care facility
- Is "a newly identified MRSA case".

This does not include:

AND

- MRSA cases previously identified
- · Emergency, clinic, or other outpatient cases (e.g. physiotherapy) who are not admitted
- Cases re-admitted with MRSA

If the case does not meet the infection definition, then the case is classified as a colonization.

- If the case is a colonization and the client was not previously known to be positive; this case is counted as a new colonized case.
- If the case is a colonization and the client is already known to be positive; this case is not counted.

HA MRSA case definition for a MRSA colonization

Must meet the MRSA surveillance inclusion criteria above

AND

Must meet at least **one** of the following criteria:

 Diagnosis of MRSA was made by a culture positive sample collected greater than or equal to 2 calendar days after admission to your facility (admission considered day 1; diagnosis made at day 3 or beyond)
 AND

No medical history of previous MRSA

 Diagnosis of MRSA was made by a culture positive sample collected within 2 calendar days (admission considered day 1; diagnosis made prior to day 3) of admission to your facility AND

Medical history in previous 12 months at your facility including one or more of the following:

- a) Admission to your facility
- b) Dialysis
- c) Surgery (including day surgery)
- d) Placement of indwelling catheters or medical devices that pass through the skin into the body

Total # of new HA MRSA colonizations (in new MRSA cases) x1000

Total # of client days

• Diagnosis of MRSA was made post discharge from your facility by a culture positive sample for MRSA collected within 2 calendar days (admission considered day 1: diagnosis made prior to day 3) of admission to a receiving facility

INFECTION

SH-SS MRSA HAI rate/1000 client days

2017-2018: PCH 0.01

MRSA infection surveillance inclusion criteria:

- Isolation of Staphylococcus aureus from any body site
- Resistance of isolate to oxacillin

AND

• Client must be admitted to a health care facility

AND

- Is "a newly identified MRSA infection"* at the time of admission or identified during stay
- Meets the criteria for MRSA infection as determined using the surveillance definitions for specific infections, and in accordance with the best judgement of the healthcare and/or infection prevention and control practitioner (ICP) at the time of hospital admission or identified during hospitalization.

*This includes:

- MRSA infections identified for the first time during this current admission.
- MRSA infection identified at a new (different) site in a client with a MRSA infection identified in a previous surveillance (calendar) year. For example, client identified in 2014 with a MRSA respiratory infection. Same client admitted in 2017 and identified with SSI MRSA infection. The client would be counted as a new infection in 2017.

This does not include:

- MRSA infections previously identified
- Emergency, clinic, or other outpatient cases (e.g. physiotherapy) who are not admitted
- Infections re-admitted with MRSA unless it is a new/different site of MRSA infection.

HA MRSA case definition for a MRSA clinical infection

Must meet the MRSA surveillance inclusion criteria above

AND

Must meet at least one of the following criteria:

1. Diagnosis of MRSA was made by a culture positive sample collected greater than or equal to 2 calendar days after admission to your facility (admission considered day 1; diagnosis made at day 3 or beyond)

AND

No medical history of previous MRSA

 Diagnosis of MRSA was made by a culture positive sample collected within 2 calendar days (admission considered day 1; diagnosis made prior to day 3) of admission to your facility

Medical history in previous 12 months at your facility including one or more of the following:

- a) Admission to your facility
- b) Dialysis
- c) Surgery (including day surgery)
- d) Placement of indwelling catheters or medical devices that pass through the skin into the body.

Total # of new HA MRSA infections (in new and known cases) x1000 Total # of client days

| | Diagnosis of MRSA was made post discharge from your facility by a culture positive sample for MRSA collected within 2 calendar days (admission considered day 1: diagnosis made prior to day 3) of admission to a receiving facility | | | |
|--|---|---|--|--|
| Vancomycin Resis | stant Enterococci Bloodstream Infections (BSI) | | | |
| | Health, Seniors and Active Living ARO Definitions, November 2018 P HAI Surveillance Case definitions | | | |
| Vancomycin Resistant Enterococci (VRE) | | | | |
| SH-SS HA VRE bloodstream infection rate/1000 client days 2017-2018: PCH no data | VRE surveillance inclusion criteria: Isolation of Enterococcus faecalis or faecium from blood AND Resistance of isolate to vancomycin AND Client must be admitted to a health care facility AND Is a "newly identified VRE BSI" at the time of admission or identified during stay. A new VRE BSI is defined as a positive VRE blood isolate greater than 14 days after completing of therapy for a previous infection and felt to be unrelated to previous infection in accordance with best clinical judgement by ICP and physician. | | | |
| | This does not include: • Emergency, clinic, or other outpatient cases (e.g., physiotherapy) who are not admitted | | | |
| | Health Care-Associated (HA) VRE bloodstream infection case definition Must meet the VRE surveillance inclusion criteria above AND Must meet at least one of the following criteria 1. Diagnosis of VRE was made by a blood culture positive sample collected greater than or equal to 2 calendar days after admission to your facility (admission considered day 1; diagnosis made at day 3 or beyond) 2. Diagnosis of VRE was made by a blood culture positive for VRE collected within 48 hours of admission to your facility AND Medical history in previous 12 months at your facility including one or more of the following: a. Admission to your facility b. Dialysis c. Surgery (including day surgery) d. Placement of indwelling catheters or medical devices that pass through the skin into the body. 3. Diagnosis of VRE bacteremia was made post discharge from current facility by a blood culture positive for VRE collected within 48 hours of admission to a receiving facility. | Total # of new HA VRE bloodstream infections x1000 Total # of client days | | |
| Carbapenamase P | roducing Enterobacteriaceae (CPE) | | | |
| Source: 1) Manitoba I | Health, Seniors and Active Living ARO Definitions, November 2018 | | | |
| Carbapenamase | CPE data is reported in two categories: | | | |
| Producing | Cases of new colonization (new cases of CPE never been reported previously) Cases of new infection (in new and known cases of CPE) | | | |

Enterobacteriaceae (CPE) **COLONIZATION** CPE colonization surveillance inclusion criteria: SH-SS HA CPE Isolation of a new Carbapenamase Producing Enterobacteriaceae from any body site colonization rate AND /1000 client days Client must be admitted to a health care facility 2017-2018: • Is "a newly identified CPE case". PCH no data This does not include: • Emergency, clinic, or other outpatient cases (e.g. physiotherapy) who are not admitted • Cases re-admitted with the same CPE pathogen as previous admission HA CPE case definition for a CPE colonization Total # of HA CPE colonizations in new Must meet the CPE surveillance inclusion criteria above AND CPE cases x1000 Must meet at least **one** of the following criteria: Total # of client days 1. Diagnosis of a new CPE was made by a culture positive sample for CPE collected greater than or equal to 2 calendar days after admission to your facility (admission considered day 1: diagnosis made at day 3 or beyond) AND no medical history of previous similar CPE infection or colonization 2. Diagnosis of new CPE was made by a culture positive sample for CPE collected within 2 calendar days (admission considered day 1: diagnosis made prior to day 3) of admission to current facility AND medical history in the previous 12 months at your facility including one or more of the following: a) Admission to your facility b) Dialysis c) Surgery (including day surgery) d) Placement of indwelling catheters or medical devices that pass through the skin into the body 3. Diagnosis of new CPE was made post discharge from your facility by a culture positive sample for CPE collected within 2 calendar days (admission considered day 1: diagnosis made prior to day 3) of admission to a receiving facility **INFECTION** SH-SS HA CPF CPE infection surveillance inclusion criteria: infection rate/1000 Isolation of a new Carbapenamase Producing Enterobacteriaceae from any body site client days 2017-2018: Client must be admitted to a health care facility PCH no data AND Is "a newly identified CPE case"

Meets the criteria for CPE infection as determined using the surveillance definitions for specific infections, and in accordance with the best judgement of the healthcare and /or IPC practitioner at the time of hospital admission or

identified during hospitalization.

AND

This does not include:

- Emergency, clinic, or other outpatient cases (e.g. physiotherapy) who are not admitted
- Cases re-admitted with the same CPE pathogen as previous admission

Health Care-Associated (HA) CPE infection case definition

Must meet the CPE surveillance inclusion criteria above AND

Must meet at least **one** of the following criteria:

- Diagnosis of a new CPE was made by a culture positive sample for CPE collected greater than or equal to 2 calendar days after admission to your facility (admission considered day 1: diagnosis made at day 3 or beyond)
 AND no medical history of previous similar CPE infection or colonization
- Diagnosis of new CPE was made by a culture positive sample for CPE collected within 2 calendar days (admission considered day 1: diagnosis made prior to day 3) of admission to current facility
 AND medical history in the previous 12 months at your facility including one or more of the following:
 - a) Admission to your facility
 - b) Dialysis
 - c) Surgery (including day surgery)
 - d) Placement of indwelling catheters or medical devices that pass through the skin into the body
- 3. Diagnosis of new CPE was made post discharge from your facility by a culture positive sample for CPE collected within 2 calendar days (admission considered day 1: diagnosis made prior to day 3) of admission to a receiving facility

To classify the case as an infection versus colonization, the case needs to meet the case definition for an infection at time of culture or within 72 hours of when the culture was taken (i.e., signs and symptoms appear within 3 days of specimen collection). Where cases of CPE have been previously identified as CPE and present with a new CPE organism, these cases would be considered new cases.

Skin and Soft Tissue Infection

Source: Surveillance Definitions of Infections in Canadian Long Term Care Facilities, IPAC News, Fall 2017

Skin and Soft Tissue Infection (STTI)

HA Skin and Soft Tissue Infection

For wound infections related to surgical procedures, PCH facilities should report these infections back to the institution where the original surgery was performed.

SH-SS HA STTI rate/1000 client days

2017-2018: PCH 0.6 A. Cellulitis, soft tissue, or wound infection (at least one of the following criteria must be present)

- 1. Pus present at a wound, skin, or soft tissue site
- 2. New or increasing presence of at least 4 of the following sign or symptom sub criteria:
 - a) Heat at the affected site
 - b) Redness at the affected site
 - c) Swelling at the affected site
 - d) Tenderness or pain at the affected site
 - e) Serous drainage at the affected site
 - f) One constitutional criterion (see Table 1)
- 3. Non-commensal organism isolated with **one or more** signs or symptoms from criterion 2.

Total # of HA STTI cases

Total # of new HA CPE

known CPE cases) x1000

infections (in new and

Total # of client days

Total # of client days X1000

Comments: Presence of organisms cultured from the surface (e.g., superficial swab sample) of a wound is not sufficient evidence that the wound is infected. More than 1 resident with streptococcal skin infection from the same serogroup (e.g., A, B, C, G) in a personal care home may indicate an outbreak.

Common Commensal organisms (normal flora) include, but are not limited to, diphtheroids (Corynebacterium spp. not C. diphtheria), Bacillus spp. (not B. anthracis), Propionibacterium spp., coagulase-negative staphylococci (including S. epidermidis), viridans group streptococci, Aerococcus spp., and Micrococcus spp.

B. Scabies (both criteria 1 and 2 must be present)

- 1. A maculopapular and/or itching rash characteristic of scabies
- 2. At least **one** of the following scabies sub criteria:
 - a) Physician diagnosis
 - b) Laboratory confirmation (scraping or biopsy)
 - c) Epidemiological linkage to a case of scabies with laboratory confirmation

Comments: Consider the appearance and distribution of the rash. The most common symptom of scabies is itching (pruritis) especially at night and pimple (papular) like rash. The itching and rash may affect much of the body or be limited to common sites such as wrists, elbow, armpit, webbing between the fingers, nipple, penis, waist, beltline and buttocks. Tiny burrows that are raised and crooked, grayish white or skin colored lines on the skin surface. They are found most often in the webbing of the fingers, in the skin folds of the wrist, elbow or knee and on the penis, breast or shoulder blades. If rash presentation is atypical, lab confirmation is recommended.

A case is considered epidemiologically linked by direct contact to a laboratory-confirmed case through person-to-person transmission (e.g., common caregiver), if there is geographic proximity in the facility or through a common exposure. Care must be taken to rule out rashes due to skin irritation, allergic reactions, eczema, and other non-infectious skin conditions.

Urinary Tract Infection

Source: Surveillance Definitions of Infections in Canadian Long Term Care Facilities, IPAC News, Fall 2017

Urinary Tract Infection (UTI)

SH-SS HA symptomatic UTI rate/1000 client days

2017- 2018: PCH 0.6

HA Symptomatic Urinary Tract Infection

A urinalysis negative for leukocytes effectively rules out a UTI while a urinalysis positive for leukocytes does not differentiate symptomatic UTI from asymptomatic bacteriuria.

A. For residents without an indwelling catheter (criteria 1 and 2 must be present with no other identified source of infection, OR criteria 2 and 3)

- 1. At least **one** of the following sign or symptom sub criteria:
 - a) Acute pain, swelling, or tenderness of the testes, epididymis, or prostate in males
 - b) Fever or leukocytosis (see Table 1) and at least **one** of the following localizing urinary tract sub criteria:
 - i. Acute dysuria
 - ii. Acute costovertebral angle pain or tenderness
 - iii. Suprapubic pain
 - iv. Gross hematuria
 - v. New or marked increase in incontinence
 - vi. New or marked increase in urgency
 - vii. New or marked increase in frequency
 - c) In the absence of fever or leukocytosis, then **two or more** of the following localizing urinary tract sub criteria:
 - Acute dysuria
 - ii. Suprapubic pain

Total # of HA <u>symptomatic UTI cases</u> x1000 Total # of client days

- iii. Gross hematuria
- iv. New or marked increase in incontinence
- v. New or marked increase in urgency
- vi. New or marked increase in frequency

Comments: UTI should be diagnosed when there are localizing genitourinary signs and symptoms and a positive urine culture result. A diagnosis of UTI can be made without localizing symptoms if a blood culture isolate is the same as the organism isolated from the urine and there is no alternate site of infection. In the absence of a clear alternate source of infection, fever or rigors with a positive urine culture result in the noncatheterized client or acute confusion in the catheterized client will often be treated as UTI. However, evidence suggests that most of these episodes are likely not due to infection of a urinary source.

 Greater than or equal to 10⁸cfu/L of no more than 2 species of microorganisms from a midstream urine OR

Greater than or equal to 10⁵ cfu/L of any number of microorganism in a specimen collected by in and out catheter. .

Comments: Urine specimens for culture should be processed as soon as possible, preferably within 2 h. If urine specimens cannot be processed within 30 min of collection, they should be refrigerated. Refrigerated specimens should be cultured within 24 h. In and out catheter collection is the gold standard for urine collection in residents without an indwelling catheter.

- 3. A blood culture isolate is the same as the organism isolated from the urine and there is no alternate site of infection.
- B. HA Symptomatic Catheter Associated UTI (CAUTI) For residents with an indwelling catheter, in a single catheter urine specimen or in a midstream voided urine specimen from a client whose catheter has been removed within the previous 48 h (criteria 1 and 2 must be present with no other identified source of infection, OR criteria 2 and 3)

1. At least **one** of the following sign or symptom sub criteria:

- a. Fever, rigors, or new-onset hypotension, with no alternate site of infection
- b. Either acute change in mental status (see Table 2) or acute functional decline (see Table 1), with no alternate diagnosis and leukocytosis
- c. New-onset suprapubic pain or costovertebral angle pain or tenderness
- d. Purulent discharge from around the catheter
- e. Acute pain, swelling, or tenderness of the testes, epididymis, or prostate in males

Comments: Recent catheter trauma, catheter obstruction, or new onset hematuria are useful localizing signs that are consistent with UTI but are not necessary for diagnosis.

2. Urinary catheter specimen culture with greater than or equal to 108cfu/L of any organism(s)

Comments: Urinary catheter specimens for culture should be collected following replacement of the catheter (if current catheter has been in place for greater than or equal to 14 days).

3. A blood culture isolate is the same species as the organism isolated from the urine, with the same resistance pattern, and there is no alternate site of infection.

For Indicator Report data entry - Enter all UTIs in UTI line (includes with or without catheters). Those that are catheter-related are also entered in the CAUTI line.

SH-SS HA symptomatic CAUTI rate/1000 client days

2017- 2018: PCH 0.1 Total # of HA symptomatic CAUTI Cases

ses X 1000

Total # of client days

Respiratory Tract Infection

Source: Surveillance Definitions of Infections in Canadian Long Term Care Facilities, IPAC News, Fall 2017

Respiratory Tract Infections (RTI)

SH-SS HA RTI rate/1000 client days

2017-2018: PCH 0.9

HA Respiratory Tract Infection

Epidemiological confirmation, instead of a laboratory confirmed positive specimen, can be used to meet case definition criteria during an outbreak.

cases x 1000 Total # of client days

Total # of HA RTI

A. Common cold syndrome or pharyngitis

At least **two** of the following criteria must be present:

- 1. Runny nose or sneezing
- 2. Stuffy nose (i.e., congestion)
- 3. Sore throat or hoarseness or difficulty in swallowing
- 4. Dry cough
- 5. Swollen or tender glands in the neck (cervical lymphadenopathy)
- 6. N/P swab positive for a respiratory pathogen

Comments: Fever may or may not be present. Symptoms must be new and not attributable to allergies.

B. Influenza-like illness

Criteria 1 and/or 2 must be present, AND 3 or 4:

- Fever
- 2. New and/or increased cough
- 3. At least **two** of the following influenza-like illness sub criteria:
 - a. Chills
 - b. New headache or eye pain
 - c. Myalgia or body aches
 - d. Malaise or loss of appetite
 - e. Sore throat
 - f. Arthralgia (joint pain)
- 4. N/P swab positive for Influenza virus

Comments: Fever may not be present in the elderly. If criteria for influenza-like illness and another upper or lower RTI are met at the same time, only the diagnosis of influenza-like illness should be recorded. Because of increasing uncertainty surrounding the timing of the start of influenza season, the peak of influenza activity, and the length of the season. "seasonality" is no longer a criterion to define influenza-like illness.

C. Pneumonia

Criteria 1 and 2 must be present, OR criteria 1 and 3:

- 1. Interpretation of a chest radiograph as demonstrating pneumonia or the presence of a new infiltrate.
- 2. At least **one** of the following respiratory sub criteria:
 - a. New or increased cough
 - b. New or increased sputum production
 - c. O₂ saturation less than 94% on room air or a reduction in O₂ saturation of greater than 3% from baseline
 - d. New or changed lung examination abnormalities
 - e. Pleuritic chest pain
 - f. Respiratory rate of greater than or equal to 25 breaths per minute
- 3. At least **one** constitutional criteria (see Table 1)

Comment: For both pneumonia and lower RTI, the presence of underlying conditions that could mimic the presentation of a RTI (e.g., congestive heart failure or interstitial lung disease) should be excluded by a review of clinical records and an assessment of presenting symptoms and signs.

D. Lower respiratory tract infection (bronchitis or tracheobronchitis)

All 3 criteria must be present:

- 1. Chest radiograph not performed or negative results for pneumonia or new infiltrate
- 2. At least two of the respiratory sub criteria (a-f) listed in section C above
- 3. At least **one** of the constitutional criteria (see Table 1)

Comment: See comment for section C above.

Gastrointestinal Tract Infection

Source: Surveillance Definitions of Infections in Canadian Long Term Care Facilities, IPAC News, Fall 2017

Gastrointestinal (GI) Tract Infections

SH-SS HA GI infection rate/1000 client days

2017-2018: PCH 0.04

HA Gastrointestinal Tract Infection

Epidemiological confirmation, instead of a laboratory confirmed positive specimen, can be used to meet case definition criteria during an outbreak.

A. Gastroenteritis

At least **one** of the following criteria must be present:

- 1. Diarrhea: 3 or more loose or watery stools above what is normal for the client within a 24 hour period
- 2. Vomiting: 2 or more episodes in a 24 hour period
- 3. **Both** of the following sign or symptom sub criteria:
 - a. A stool specimen testing positive for a pathogen (e.g., Salmonella, Shigella, Escherichia coli 0157:H7, Campylobacter species, rotavirus)
 - b. At least **one** of the following GI sub criteria:
 - i. Nausea
 - ii. Vomiting
 - iii. Abdominal pain or tenderness,
 - iv. Diarrhea
 - v. Mucous in stool

Comments: Care must be taken to exclude noninfectious causes of symptoms. For instance, new medications may cause diarrhea, nausea, or vomiting; initiation of new enteral feeding may be associated with diarrhea; and nausea or vomiting may be associated with gallbladder disease. Presence of new GI symptoms in a single client may prompt enhanced surveillance for additional cases. In the presence of an outbreak, stool specimens should be sent for viral detection studies to confirm the presence of norovirus or other pathogens (e.g., rotavirus or E. coli O157:H7).

B. Norovirus gastroenteritis

Both criteria 1 and 2 must be present:

- 1. At least **one** of the following GI sub criteria:
 - a. Diarrhea: 3 or more loose or watery stools (i.e., Conforming to the shape of the specimen collection container) above what is normal for the client within a 24 hour period
 - b. Vomiting: 2 or more episodes in a 24 hour period

Total # of client days

2. A stool specimen for which norovirus is positively detected by electron microscopy, enzyme immunoassay, or molecular diagnostic testing such as polymerase chain reaction (PCR). C. Clostridium difficile infection Refer to definition below. Include total # of new HA C-diff infections in total HA GI infection cases. **Clostridium difficile Infection** Source: 1) Government of Manitoba. Communicable Disease Management Protocol. Clostridioides difficile Infection (CDI), February 2019 2) 2018 Canadian Nosocomial Infection Surveillance Project (CNISP) definitions for CDI Clostridium difficile Infection (CDI) Clostridium Total # of new HA CDI difficile Infection A client is identified as having CDI if at least **one** of the following criteria is met: x1000 (CDI) 1. The client has diarrhea* or fever, abdominal pain and/or ileus AND a laboratory confirmation of a positive toxin assay Total # of client days or positive polymerase chain reaction (PCR) for C. difficile (without reasonable evidence of another cause of diarrhea) SH-SS HA CDI 2. The client has a diagnosis of pseudomembranes on sigmoidoscopy or colonoscopy (or after colectomy) or rate/1000 client histological/pathological diagnosis of CDI days 3. The client is diagnosed with toxic megacolon (in adult clients only) 2017-2018: * **Diarrhea** is defined as **one** of the following: PCH 0 a) 6 or more watery/unformed stools in a 36-hour period b) 3 or more watery/unformed stools in a 24-hour period and this is new or unusual for the client (in adult clients only) Exclusion: Recurrent cases of CDI** HA CDI case definition – acquired in your facility Must meet at least **one** of the following criteria: 1. Related to the current admission a) The client's CDI symptoms occur in your healthcare facility 3 or more days (or greater than or equal to 72 hours) after admission. 2. Related to a previous admission a) Inpatient: The client's CDI symptoms occur less than 3 days after the current admission (or less than 72 hours) AND the client had been previously admitted at your healthcare facility and discharged within the previous 4 weeks. b) Outpatient: The client presents with CDI symptoms at your ER or outpatient location the client had been previously admitted at your healthcare facility and discharged within the previous 4 weeks. 3. Related to a previous healthcare exposure*** at your facility Inpatient: The client's CDI symptoms occur less than 3 days after the current admission (or less than 72 hours) AND the client had a previous healthcare exposure** at your facility within the previous 4 weeks. Outpatient: The client presents with CDI symptoms at your ER or outpatient location

the client had a previous healthcare exposure** at your facility within the previous 4 weeks.

** **Recurrent CDI**: A recurrent CDI is defined as an episode of CDI that occurs in a client less than or equal to 8 weeks following the diagnostic test date of the primary episode of CDI, providing the client was treated successfully for the primary episode and symptoms of CDI resolved completely.

A primary episode of CDI is defined as either the first episode of CDI ever experienced by the client or a new episode of CDI that occurs greater than 8 weeks after the diagnosis of a previous episode in the same client. A new episode of CDI that occurs after 8 weeks following the diagnostic test date of the primary episode of CDI is considered a new infection.

*** **Healthcare exposure**: The client had 2 or more visits at any of the following locations (oncology [including chemotherapy or radiation], dialysis, day surgery, day hospital, transfusion clinic, interventional radiology or emergency department) OR had a single visit to the emergency department for more than or equal to 24 hours.

| Tala | Table 4 | | | |
|---------|---|--|--|--|
| Table 1 | | | | |
| | Definitions for Constitutional Criteria in Residents of Personal Care Homes (PCH) | | | |
| A. | Fever 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. | | | |
| | 1) Single oral temperature greater than 37.8°C OR | | | |
| | 2) Repeated oral temperatures greater than 37.2°C or rectal temperatures greater than 37.5°C | | | |
| | OR | | | |
| | 3) Single temperature greater than 1.1°C over baseline from any site (oral, tympanic, axillary) | | | |
| B. | Leukocytosis | | | |
| | 1) Greater than 10 x 10 ⁹ leukocytes/L | | | |
| C. | Acute change in mental status from baseline (all criteria must be present; see Table 2) | | | |
| | 1) Acute onset | | | |
| | 2) Fluctuating course | | | |
| | 3) Inattention | | | |
| | 4) Either disorganized thinking or altered level of consciousness | | | |
| D. | Acute functional decline | | | |
| | 1) A new 3-point increase in total activities of daily living (ADL) score (range, 0-28) from baseline, based on the following 7 ADL items, each scored from 0 | | | |
| | (independent) to 4 (total dependence) | | | |
| | a) Bed mobility b) Transfer | | | |
| | | | | |
| | c) Locomotion within PCH d) Dressing | | | |
| | e) Toilet use | | | |
| | f) Personal hygiene | | | |
| | g) Eating | | | |
| | | | | |

Table 2

Confusion Assessment Method Criteria

| NOTE: Criteria must be assessed during a formal interview with the client. | | |
|--|---|--|
| CRITERIA | COMMENTS | |
| Acute onset | Evidence of acute change in resident's mental status from baseline | |
| Fluctuating | Behavior fluctuating (e.g., coming and going or changing in severity during the assessment) | |
| Inattention | Resident has difficulty focusing attention (e.g., unable to keep track of discussion or easily distracted) | |
| Disorganized thinking | Resident's thinking is incoherent (e.g., rambling conversation, unclear flow of ideas, unpredictable switches in subject) | |
| Altered level of consciousness | Resident's level of consciousness is described as different from baseline (e.g., hyperalert, sleepy, drowsy, difficult to arouse, | |
| | nonresponsive) | |

Source: Surveillance Definitions of Infections in Canadian Long Term Care Facilities, IPAC News, Fall 2017

Acute Care Surveillance Indicators

Health care-associated infections (HAI) - total

Source: National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) Patient Safety Component Manual, Chapter 2 Identifying Healthcare-associated Infections (HAI) for NHSN Surveillance, January 2019

SH-SS HAI rate /1000 client days

Includes targeted and non-targeted HAIs

2017-2018: Acute 2.5 To standardize the classification of an infection as present on admission (POA) or a healthcare-associated infection (HAI), the following objective surveillance definitions and guidance are used. Note: This does not apply to surgical site infections (SSI) surveillance.

Total # of all HAIs x 1000 Total # of client days*

Date of Event (DOE)

The DOE is the date of the first documented <u>localized</u> sign or symptom used to meet the specific site of infection criterion. For example, diarrhea, site-specific pain, purulent drainage are localized signs or symptoms. Note that a non-specific sign or symptom for example, fever is not considered to be localized. Therefore if fever presented 2 days prior to localized signs or symptoms, the day the fever presented is not considered the DOE. Note: accurate determination of DOE is critical because DOE is used to determine if an infection is HAI or POA, location of attribution, and device association.

Present on Admission (POA)

An infection is considered POA if the DOE occurs during the POA time period, which is defined as the day of admission to an inpatient location (calendar day 1), the 2 days before admission, and the calendar day after admission.

Health Care-associated Infection (HAI)

The infection is considered HAI if the DOE occurs on or after the 3rd calendar day of admission to an inpatient location where day of admission is calendar day 1.

Infections occurring in newborns with date of event on hospital day 1 or day 2 are considered POA. Those with date of event on day 3 or later are HAI. This includes infections acquired transplacentally (for example but not limited to herpes simplex, toxoplasmosis, rubella, cytomegalovirus, or syphilis) or as a result from passage through the birth canal.

Reactivation of a **latent** infection is not considered to be a HAI, for example but not limited to herpes, shingles, syphilis, or tuberculosis.

Repeat Infection Timeframe (RIT)

The RIT is a 14-day timeframe during which no new infections of the same type are reported. RIT applies to both POA and HAI determinations. The DOE is Day 1 of the 14-day RIT. If criteria for the same type of infection are met and the DOE is within the 14-day RIT, a new infection is not reported. The RIT applies during a client's single admission, including the day of discharge and the day after, in keeping with the Transfer Rule. An RIT does not carry over from one admission to another even if readmission is to the same facility.

Transfer Rule

If the DOE is on the date of transfer or discharge, or the next day, the infection is attributed to the transferring/discharging location. This is called the Transfer Rule. If the client was in multiple locations within the transfer rule time frame, attribute the infection to the <u>first</u> location in which the client was housed the <u>day before</u> the infection's DOE. Receiving locations or facilities should share information about such HAIs with the transferring location or facility to enable accurate reporting.

*For acute care surveillance, client days refers to Adult and Child – Inpatients (includes all inpatients except newborns).

Location of Attribution (LOA) The LOA is the inpatient location where the client was assigned on the date of infection. Antibiotic Resistant Organisms Source: 1) Canadian Nosocomial Infection Surveillance Program (CNISP) 2017 Surveillance Protocol for MRSA Infections in CNISP Hospitals (revised January 23, 2017) 2) Manitoba Health, Seniors and Active Living ARO Definitions, November 2018 MRSA data is reported in two categories: Methicillin Resistant Cases of new colonization (new cases of MRSA never been reported previously) Staphylococcus Cases of new infection (in new and known cases of MRSA) aureus (MRSA) **COLONIZATION** SH-SS HA MRSA MRSA new colonization surveillance inclusion criteria: colonization rate Isolation of Staphylococcus aureus from any body site /1000 client days AND Resistance of isolate to oxacillin 2017-2018: AND Acute 0.1 Client must be admitted to a health care facility (includes ER and outpatients who tested positive for MRSA and then are subsequently admitted or are admitted but still in ER awaiting a bed on a ward). AND Is "a newly identified MRSA case". This includes: Cases not previously known to be MRSA positive New MRSA cases that do not meet the infection definition This does not include: MRSA cases previously identified Emergency, clinic, or other outpatient cases (e.g. physiotherapy) who are not admitted Cases re-admitted with MRSA Total # of new HA MRSA HA MRSA colonization case definition colonizations in new MRSA Must meet the MRSA surveillance inclusion criteria above x1000 AND cases Must meet at least **one** of the following criteria: Total # of client days Diagnosis of MRSA was made by a culture positive sample collected greater than or equal to 2 calendar days after admission to your facility (admission considered day 1; diagnosis made at day 3 or beyond) AND No medical history of previous MRSA Diagnosis of MRSA was made by a culture positive sample collected within 2 calendar days (admission considered day 1; diagnosis made prior to day 3) of admission to your facility AND Medical history in previous 12 months at your facility including one or more of the following: a) Admission to your facility b) Dialysis

- c) Surgery (including day surgery)
- d) Placement of indwelling catheters or medical devices that pass through the skin into the body
- Diagnosis of MRSA was made post discharge from your facility by a culture positive sample for MRSA collected within 2 calendar days (admission considered day 1: diagnosis made prior to day 3) of admission to a receiving facility
- Neonates to 1 year of age: The identification of health care-associated MRSA in the neonatal period is complicated by the possibility of perinatal acquisition of these organisms. The identification of MRSA should prompt an investigation of colonization of the mother and other neonates in the unit.
 - a) The initial hospital stay was less than 3 calendar days and infant subsequently presented to the same hospital within 14 days of their initial discharge
 OR
 - b) The initial hospital stay was equal to or greater than 3 calendar days and the infant subsequently presented to the same hospital any time within the first year of initial discharge

INFECTION

SH-SS HA MRSA infection rate/1000

2017-2018: Acute 0.1

client days

MRSA infection surveillance inclusion criteria:

- Isolation of Staphylococcus aureus from any body site AND
- Resistance of isolate to oxacillin
- Client must be admitted to a health care facility (includes ER and outpatients who tested positive for MRSA and then
 are subsequently admitted or are admitted but still in ER awaiting a bed on a ward).
 AND
- Is "a newly identified MRSA case".
- Meets the criteria for MRSA infection as determined using the surveillance definitions for specific infections, and in accordance with the best judgement of the healthcare and /or infection prevention and control practitioner at the time of hospital admission or identified during hospitalization.

*This includes:

- MRSA infections identified for the first time during this current admission.
- MRSA infection identified at a new (different) site in a client with a MRSA infection identified in a previous surveillance (calendar) year. For example, client identified in 2014 with a MRSA respiratory infection. Same client admitted in 2017 and identified with SSI MRSA infection. The client would be counted as a new infection in 2017.

This does not include:

- MRSA infections previously identified
- Emergency, clinic, or other outpatient cases (e.g. physiotherapy) who are not admitted
- Infections re-admitted with MRSA unless it is a new/different site of MRSA infection.

HA MRSA clinical infection case definition

Must meet the MRSA surveillance inclusion criteria above AND

Must meet at least **one** of the following criteria:

Total # of new HA MRSA infections (in new and known cases) x1000
Total # of client days

 Diagnosis of MRSA was made by a culture positive sample collected greater than or equal to 2 calendar days after admission to your facility (admission considered day 1; diagnosis made at day 3 or beyond) AND

No medical history of previous MRSA

 Diagnosis of MRSA was made by a culture positive sample collected within 2 calendar days (admission considered day 1; diagnosis made prior to day 3) of admission to your facility AND

Medical history in previous 12 months at your facility including one or more of the following:

- a) Admission to your facility
- b) Dialysis
- c) Surgery (including day surgery)
- d) Placement of indwelling catheters or medical devices that pass through the skin into the body.
- 3. Diagnosis of MRSA was made post discharge from your facility by a culture positive sample for MRSA collected within 2 calendar days (admission considered day 1: diagnosis made prior to day 3) of admission to a receiving facility.
- 4. Neonates to 1 year of age: The identification of health care-associated MRSA in the neonatal period is complicated by the possibility of perinatal acquisition of these organisms. The identification of MRSA should prompt an investigation of colonization of the mother and other neonates in the unit.
 - a) The initial hospital stay was less than 3 calendar days and infant subsequently presented to the same hospital within 14 days of their initial discharge

OR

The initial hospital stay was equal to or greater than 3 calendar days and the infant subsequently presented to the same hospital any time within the first year of initial discharge

Vancomycin Resistant Enterococci Bloodstream Infections

Source: 1) Manitoba Health, Seniors and Active Living ARO Definitions, November 2018

2) 2018 CNISP HAI Surveillance Case definitions

Vancomycin Resistant Enterococci (VRE)

VRE surveillance is only required for bloodstream infections. The following definitions are used for the purposes of identification and surveillance classification of VRE bloodstream infection cases.

SH-SS HA VRE bloodstream infection rate/1000 client days

2017-2018: Acute no data

VRE surveillance inclusion criteria:

Isolation of Enterococcus faecalis or faecium from blood

AND

- Resistance of isolate to vancomycin

 AND
- Client must be admitted to a health care facility (includes ER and outpatients who tested positive for MRSA and then
 are subsequently admitted or are admitted but still in ER awaiting a bed on a ward).
 AND
- Is a "newly identified VRE BSI" at the time of admission or identified during stay.
 A new VRE BSI is defined as a positive VRE blood isolate greater than 14 days after completing of therapy for a previous infection and felt to be unrelated to previous infection in accordance with best clinical judgement by ICP and physician.

This does not include:

Emergency, clinic, or other outpatient cases (e.g., physiotherapy) who are not admitted

Health Care-Associated (HA) VRE bloodstream infection case definition Total # of new HA VRE Must meet the VRE surveillance inclusion criteria above bloodstream infections x1000 AND Total # of client days Must meet at least one of the following criteria 1. Diagnosis of VRE was made by a blood culture positive sample collected greater than or equal to 2 calendar days after admission to your facility (admission considered day 1; diagnosis made at day 3 or beyond) 2. Diagnosis of VRE was made by a blood culture positive for VRE collected within 48 hours of admission to your facility Medical history in previous 12 months at your facility including one or more of the following: a) Admission to your facility b) Dialysis c) Surgery (including day surgery) d) Placement of indwelling catheters or medical devices that pass through the skin into the body. 3. Diagnosis of VRE bacteremia was made post discharge from current facility by a blood culture positive for VRE collected within 48 hours of admission to a receiving facility. 4. Neonates to 1 year of age: The identification of health care-associated VRE bacteremia in the neonatal period is complicated by the possibility of perinatal acquisition of these organisms. The identification of VRE should prompt an investigation of colonization of the mother and other neonates in the unit. a) The initial hospital stay was less than 3 calendar days and infant subsequently presented to the same hospital within 14 days of their initial discharge. b) The initial hospital stay was equal to or greater than 3 calendar days and the infant subsequently presented to the same hospital any time within the fist year of initial discharge. Carbapenamase Producing Enterobacteriaceae (CPE) Source: 1) Manitoba Health, Seniors and Active Living ARO Definitions, November 2018 Carbapenamase CPE data is reported in two categories: Producina Cases of new colonization (new cases of CPE never been reported previously) Enterobacteriaceae Cases of new infection (in new and known cases of CPE) (CPE) COLONIZATION SH-SS HA CPE colonization rate CPE surveillance colonization inclusion criteria: /1000 client days Isolation of a new Carbapenamase Producing Enterobacteriaceae from any body site 2017-2018: AND Acute no data Client must be admitted to a health care facility (includes ER and outpatients who tested positive for MRSA and then are subsequently admitted or are admitted but still in ER awaiting a bed on a ward). AND Is "a newly identified CPE case".

• Emergency, clinic, or other outpatient cases (e.g. physiotherapy) who are not admitted

• Cases re-admitted with the same CPE pathogen as previous admission

This does not include:

HA CPE case definition for a CPE colonization

Must meet the CPE surveillance inclusion criteria above

AND

Must meet at least **one** of the following criteria:

- Diagnosis of a new CPE was made by a culture positive sample for CPE collected greater than or equal to 2 calendar days after admission to your facility (admission considered day 1: diagnosis made at day 3 or beyond)
 AND
 - no medical history of previous similar CPE infection or colonization.
- Diagnosis of new CPE was made by a culture positive sample for CPE collected within 2 calendar days (admission considered day 1: diagnosis made prior to day 3) of admission to current facility AND

Medical history in the previous 12 months at your facility including **one or more** of the following:

- a) Admission to your facility
- b) Dialysis
- c) Surgery (including day surgery)
- d) Placement of indwelling catheters or medical devices that pass through the skin into the body
- 3. Diagnosis of new CPE was made post discharge from your facility by a culture positive sample for CPE collected within 2 calendar days (admission considered day 1: diagnosis made prior to day 3) of admission to a receiving facility
- 4. Neonates to 1 year of age: The identification of health care-associated CPE in the neonatal period is complicated by the possibility of perinatal acquisition of these organisms. The identification of CPE should prompt an investigation of colonization of the mother and other neonates in the unit.
 - a) The initial hospital stay was less than 3 calendar days and infant subsequently presented to the same hospital within 14 days of their initial discharge OR
 - b) The initial hospital stay was equal to or greater than 3 calendar days and the infant subsequently presented to the same hospital any time within the first year of initial discharge

INFECTION

SH-SS HA CPE infection rate/1000

client days 2017-2018: Acute no data

CPE infection surveillance inclusion criteria:

- Isolation of a new Carbapenamase Producing Enterobacteriaceae from any body site AND
- Client must be admitted to a health care facility (includes ER and outpatients who tested positive for MRSA and then
 are subsequently admitted or are admitted but still in ER awaiting a bed on a ward).
 AND
- Is "a newly identified CPE case" AND
- Meets the criteria for CPE infection as determined using the surveillance definitions for specific infections, and in accordance with the best judgement of the healthcare and /or IPC practitioner at the time of hospital admission or identified during hospitalization.

This does not include:

- Emergency, clinic, or other outpatient cases (e.g. physiotherapy) who are not admitted
- Cases re-admitted with the same CPE pathogen as previous admission

Total # of HA CPE
colonizations in new CPE
cases x100

Total # of client days

Total # of new HA CPE Health Care-Associated (HA) CPE case definition Must meet the CPE surveillance inclusion criteria above infections (in new and known CPE cases) Must meet at least **one** of the following criteria: Total # of client days 1. Diagnosis of a new CPE was made by a culture positive sample for CPE collected greater than or equal to 2 calendar days after admission to your facility (admission considered day 1: diagnosis made at day 3 or beyond) AND No medical history of previous similar CPE infection or colonization 2. Diagnosis of new CPE was made by a culture positive sample for CPE collected within 2 calendar days (admission considered day 1: diagnosis made prior to day 3) of admission to current facility AND Medical history in the previous 12 months at your facility including **one or more** of the following: a) Admission to your facility b) Dialysis c) Surgery (including day surgery) d) Placement of indwelling catheters or medical devices that pass through the skin into the body 3. Diagnosis of new CPE was made post discharge from your facility by a culture positive sample for CPE collected within 2 calendar days (admission considered day 1: diagnosis made prior to day 3) of admission to a receiving facility 4. Neonates to 1 year of age: The identification of health care-associated CPE in the neonatal period is complicated by the possibility of perinatal acquisition of these organisms. The identification of CPE should prompt an investigation of colonization of the mother and other neonates in the unit. a) The initial hospital stay was less than 3 calendar days and infant subsequently presented to the same hospital within 14 days of their initial discharge b) The initial hospital stay was equal to or greater than 3 calendar days and the infant subsequently presented to the same hospital any time within the first year of initial discharge To classify the case as an infection versus colonization, the case needs to meet the case definition for an infection at time of culture or within 72 hours of when the culture was taken (i.e., signs and symptoms appear within 3 days of specimen collection). Where cases of CPE have been previously identified as CPE and present with a new CPE organism, these cases would be considered new cases. Clostridium difficile Infection Source: 1) Government of Manitoba. Communicable Disease Management Protocol. Clostridioides difficile Infection (CDI), February 2019 2) 2018 Canadian Nosocomial Infection Surveillance Project (CNISP) definitions for CDI Clostridium Clostridium difficile Infection (CDI) Total # of new HA CDI A client is identified as having CDI if at least **one** of the following criteria is met: difficile Infection x 1000 cases 1. The client has diarrhea* or fever, abdominal pain and/or ileus AND a laboratory confirmation of a positive toxin assay (CDI) Total # of client days or positive polymerase chain reaction (PCR) for C. difficile (without reasonable evidence of another cause of diarrhea) SH-SS HA CDI rate 2. The client has a diagnosis of pseudomembranes on sigmoidoscopy or colonoscopy (or after colectomy) or /1000 client days histological/pathological diagnosis of CDI 3. The client is diagnosed with toxic megacolon (in adult clients only) 2017-2018: Acute 0.1 * Diarrhea is defined as one of the following: a) 6 or more watery/unformed stools in a 36-hour period b) 3 or more watery/unformed stools in a 24-hour period and this is new or unusual for the client (in adult clients only)

This does not include:

- · Any clients aged less than 1 year
- Any pediatric clients (aged 1 year to less than 18 years) with alternate cause of diarrhea found (i.e., rotavirus, norovirus, enema or medication, etc.) are excluded even if C. difficile diagnostic test result is positive
- Recurrent cases of CDI**

HA CDI case definition – acquired in your facility must meet at least one of the following criteria:

- 1. Related to the current admission
 - a) The client's CDI symptoms occur in your healthcare facility 3 or more days (or greater than or equal to 72 hours) after admission.
- 2. Related to a previous admission
 - a) Inpatient: The client's CDI symptoms occur less than 3 days after the current admission (or less than 72 hours) AND
 - the client had been previously admitted at your healthcare facility and discharged within the previous 4 weeks.
 - b) Outpatient: The client presents with CDI symptoms at your ER or outpatient location AND
 - the client had been previously admitted at your healthcare facility and discharged within the previous 4 weeks.
- 3. Related to a previous healthcare exposure*** at your facility
 - a) Inpatient: The client's CDI symptoms occur less than 3 days after the current admission (or less than 72 hours)
 AND
 - the client had a previous healthcare exposure*** at your facility within the previous 4 weeks.
 - b) Outpatient: The client presents with CDI symptoms at your ER or outpatient location AND the client had a previous healthcare exposure*** at your facility within the previous 4 weeks.
- ** **Recurrent CDI**: A recurrent CDI is defined as an episode of CDI that occurs in a client less than or equal to 8 weeks following the diagnostic test date of the primary episode of CDI, providing the client was treated successfully for the primary episode and symptoms of CDI resolved completely.

A primary episode of CDI is defined as either the first episode of CDI ever experienced by the client or a new episode of CDI that occurs greater than 8 weeks after the diagnosis of a previous episode in the same client. A new episode of CDI that occurs after 8 weeks following the diagnostic test date of the primary episode of CDI is considered a new infection.

*** **Healthcare exposure**: The client had 2 or more visits at any of the following locations (oncology [including chemotherapy or radiation], dialysis, day surgery, day hospital, transfusion clinic, interventional radiology or emergency department) OR had a single visit to the emergency department for more than or equal to 24 hours.

Skin and Soft Tissue Infection

2017-2018:

Source: National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) Patient Safety Component Manual Chapter 7: CDC/NHSN Surveillance Definitions for Specific Types of Infections, January 2019

| | | neare early retirem (rulein) i alient early compenent manage enapter i. e.g. en rulei earlement en epeeme i | Jpod di illiodilollo, dallac | <i>xiy</i> =0.10 |
|----|-------------------|---|------------------------------|------------------|
| | Skin and soft | HA Skin and Soft Tissue Infection | Total # of HA SSTI | |
| | tissue Infections | A. HA Skin infection | cases | x1000 |
| | (SSTI) | Must meet at least one of the following criteria: | Total # of client days | |
| | SH-SS HA SSTI | 1. Client has at least one of the following: | | |
| ra | rate/1000 client | a. Purulent drainage | | |
| | days | b. Pustules | | |
| | | c. Vesicles | | |

d. Boils (excluding acne) Acute 0.2 2. Client has at least two of the following localized signs or symptoms: Pain or tenderness, swelling, erythema, or heat with no other recognized cause And at least **one** of the following criteria: a. Organism(s) identified from aspirate or drainage from affected site by a culture or non-culture based testing method which is performed for purposes of clinical diagnosis and treatment. Identification of 2 or more common commensal organisms without a recognized pathogen is not eligible for use. Common Commensal organisms include, but are not limited to, diphtheroids (Corynebacterium spp. not C. diphtheria), Bacillus spp. (not B. anthracis), Propionibacterium spp., coagulase-negative staphylococci (including S. epidermidis), viridans group streptococci, Aerococcus spp., Micrococcus spp., and Rhodococcus spp. b. Multinucleated giant cells seen on microscopic examination of affected tissue Diagnostic single antibody titer (IgM) or 4-fold increase in paired sera (IgG) for organism B. HA Soft tissue infections Must meet at least **one** of the following criteria: 1. Client has organism(s) identified from tissue or drainage from affected site by a culture or non-culture based microbiologic testing method which is performed for purposes of clinical diagnosis or treatment 2. Client has purulent drainage at affected site 3. Client has an abscess or other evidence of infection on gross anatomic or histopathological exam C. HA Decubitus ulcer infection (also known as pressure injury infection) including both superficial and deep infections Must meet all of the following criteria: 1. Client has at least two of the following signs or symptoms: erythema, tenderness, or swelling of decubitus wound edges (with no other recognized cause), AND 2. Organism(s) identified from needle aspiration of fluid or biopsy of tissue from ulcer margin by a culture or nonculture based microbiologic testing method which is performed for purposes of clinical diagnosis or treatment. **Urinary Tract Infection** Source: National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) Patient Safety Component Manual Chapter 7: CDC/NHSN Surveillance Definitions for Specific Types of Infections, January 2019 **Urinary Tract HA Symptomatic Urinary Tract Infection** Total # of HA Infection (UTI) symptomatic UTI cases (non-A. Non-Catheter associated UTI CAUTI and CAUTI) x1000 SH-SS HA Must meet criterion 1, 2 and 3 Total # of client days symptomatic UTI 1. **One** of the following is true: rate/1000 client a. Client has/had an indwelling urinary catheter but it has/had not been in place for more than 2 consecutive days days on the date of event 2017-2018: b. Client did not have an indwelling urinary catheter in place on the date of event nor the day before the date Acute 0.8

2. Client has at least **one** of the following signs or symptoms (with no other recognized cause):

- a. Fever (greater than 38°C) in a client 65 years of age or younger
- b. Suprapubic tenderness (with no other recognized cause)
- c. Costovertebral angle pain or tenderness (with no other recognized cause),
- d. Urinary frequency
- e. Urinary urgency
- f. Dysuria
- 3. Client has a urine culture with no more than two species of organisms identified, at least one of which is a bacterium of greater than or equal to 108cfu/L.

Fever is a non-specific symptom of infection and cannot be excluded from UTI determination because it is clinically deemed due to another recognized cause.

SH-SS HA symptomatic CAUTI rate/1000 client days

2017- 2018: Acute 0.3

B. HA Symptomatic Catheter-Associated Urinary Tract Infection (CAUTI)

Must meet criterion 1. 2 and 3

 Client had an indwelling urinary catheter that had been in place for more than 2 consecutive days on the date of event

AND

was either:

- a. Present for any portion of the calendar day on the date of event
- b. Removed the day before the date of event.
- 2. Client has at least **one** of the following signs or symptoms (with no other recognized cause):
 - a. Fever (greater than 38.0°C) **NOTE:** To use fever in a client over 65 years of age, the indwelling urinary catheter needs to be in place for more than 2 consecutive days on the date of event and is either still in place OR was removed the day before the DOE.
 - b. Suprapubic tenderness (with no other recognized cause)
 - c. Costovertebral angle pain or tenderness (with no other recognized cause)
 - d. Urinary urgency*
 - e. Urinary frequency*
 - f. Dysuria*
- 3. Client has a urine culture with no more than two species of organisms identified, at least one of which is a bacterium of greater than or equal to 10⁸cfu/L.

Fever is a non-specific symptom of infection and cannot be excluded from UTI determination because it is clinically deemed due to another recognized cause

For Indicator Report data entry - Enter all UTIs in UTI line (includes with or without catheters). Those that are catheter-related are also entered in the CAUTI line.

Total # of HA symptomatic CAUTI cases

x 1000

Total # of client days

^{*} These symptoms cannot be used when catheter is in place. An indwelling urinary catheter in place could cause client complaints of "frequency", "urgency" or "dysuria".

Acute Care (surgical sites only) - HA Surgical Site Infection Definitions

Surgical Site Infection

Source: National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) Patient Safety Component Manual Chapter 9: Surgical Site Infection (SSI) Event, January 2019

Surgical Site Infection (SSI)

SH-SS rate of HA SSI for all targeted surgical procedures (combined)/100 targeted surgical procedures

2017-2018: 2.5%

SH-SS rate of HA SSI for each targeted surgical procedures/100 targeted surgical procedures

Open hernia repair 2017-2018: 1.9%

Vaginal or abdominal hysterectomy 2017-2018: 3.1%

Open colorectal surgery 2017-2018: 9.1%

Caesarian section 2017-2018: 3.5%

Total joint arthroplasty (hip or knee) 2017-2018: 1.4%

Open hip reduction 2017-2018: 0%

HA Surgical Site Infection applies to clean or clean contaminated targeted surgical procedures

The targeted *surgical procedures are:*

- Open hernia repair
- Vaginal or abdominal hysterectomy
- Open colorectal surgery
- Caesarian section
- Total joint arthroplasty (hip or knee)
- Open hip reduction

HA SSIs must meet at least ONE of the following definitions

A. Superficial incisional SSI

Must meet the following criteria:

- Date of event for infection occurs within 30 days after any operative procedure (where day 1 = the procedure date)
 AND
- Involves only skin and subcutaneous tissue of the incision AND
- 3. Client has at least **one** of the following:
 - a. Purulent drainage from the superficial incision
 - b. Organisms identified from an aseptically obtained specimen from the superficial incision or subcutaneous tissue by a culture or non-culture based microbiologic testing method which is performed for purposes of clinical diagnosis or treatment.
 - c. Superficial incision that is deliberately opened by a surgeon, attending physician* or other designee and culture or non-culture based testing of the superficial incision or subcutaneous tissue is not performed AND
 - Client has at least **one** of the following signs or symptoms: localized pain or tenderness; localized swelling; erythema; or heat.
 - d. Diagnosis of a superficial incisional SSI by the surgeon or attending physician* or other designee.

*The term attending physician for the purposes of application of the NHSN SSI criteria may be interpreted to mean the surgeon(s), infectious disease, other physician on the case, emergency physician or physician's designee (nurse practitioner or physician's assistant).

The following do not qualify as criteria for meeting the NHSN definition of superficial SSI:

- Diagnosis/treatment of cellulitis (redness/warmth/swelling), by itself, does not meet criterion "d" for superficial
 incisional SSI. Conversely, an incision that is draining or that has organisms identified by culture or non-culture
 based testing is not considered a cellulitis.
- A stitch abscess alone (minimal inflammation and discharge confined to the points of suture penetration).
- A localized stab wound or pin site infection is not considered an SSI; depending on the depth, these infections might be considered either a skin or soft tissue infection
- A laparoscopic trocar site is considered a surgical incision and not a stab wound.

Total # of HA SSI cases in targeted surgical procedures x100 Total # of targeted surgical procedures

- Circumcision is not an NHSN operative procedure. An infected circumcision site in newborns is classified as a newborn circumcision infection and is not an SSI.
- An infected burn wound is classified as a burn infection and is not an SSI.

B. Deep incisional SSI

Must meet the following criteria:

 The date of event for Infection occurs within 30 or 90 days after the operative procedure (where day 1 = the procedure date) according to the list in Table 3.
 AND

Involves deep soft tissues of the incision (e.g., fascial and muscle layers) AND

- 3. Client has at least **one** of the following:
 - a. Purulent drainage from the deep incision
 - b. A deep incision that spontaneously dehisces, or is deliberately opened or aspirated by a surgeon, attending physician* or other designee

AND

Organism(s) identified from the deep soft tissues of the incision by a culture or non-culture based microbiologic testing method which is performed for purposes of clinical diagnosis or treatment or culture or non-culture based microbiologic testing method is not performed. A culture or non-culture based test from the deep soft tissues of the incision that has a negative finding does not meet this criterion.

Client has at least **one** of the following signs or symptoms: Fever (greater than or equal to 38°C); localized pain or tenderness.

c. An abscess or other evidence of infection involving the deep incision that is detected on gross anatomical or histopathologic exam, or imaging test.

C. Organ/Space SSI

Must meet the following criteria:

- Date of event for infection occurs within 30 or 90 days after the operative procedure (where day 1 = the procedure date) according to the list in Table 3.
- Infection involves any part of the body deeper than the fascial/muscle layers, that is opened or manipulated during the operative procedure AND
- 3. Client has at least **one** of the following:
 - a. Purulent drainage from a drain that is placed into the organ/space (e.g., closed suction drainage system, open drain, T-tube drain, CT guided drainage)
 - Organism(s) are identified from fluid or tissue in the organ/space by a culture or non-culture based microbiologic testing method which is performed for purposes of clinical diagnosis or treatment.
 - c. An abscess or other evidence of infection involving the organ/space that is detected on gross anatomical or histopathologic exam, or imaging test evidence suggestive of infection.

AND

4. Meets at least **one** criterion for a specific organ/space infection site listed in Table 4.

Preventing Surgical Site Infections: Evidence Based Strategies Source: Safer Healthcare Now! Prevent Surgical Site Infections - Getting Started Kit, December 2014. Timely **Timely Preoperative Prophylactic Antibiotic Administration** Administration of **Preoperative** Indicator Definition: Clean and clean-contaminated targeted surgical clients with timely preoperative prophylactic Total # of targeted surgical **Prophylactic** antibiotic administration prior to first surgical incision. clients who received timely **Antibiotic** administration of preoperative The targeted surgical procedures are: Target - 95% or prophylactic antibiotic higher x100 Clean and clean-contaminated open colorectal Total # of targeted Clean and clean-contaminated Cesarean section. SH-SS rate of surgical procedures clients with timely Guideline administration of 1. Preoperative prophylactic antibiotic infusion to be started and completed within 60 minutes for most antibiotics. preoperative or within 120 minutes for vancomycin and fluoroguinolones prior to skin incision or application of tourniquet. antibiotic for 2. Preoperative prophylactic antibiotic administration should be started and completed within 60 minutes prior to targeted surgical first incision for c-sections instead of after cord clamping. procedures/100 3. The auditor measures the timing of the antibiotic administration from antibiotic start time to surgical (incision) targeted surgical start time. If either time is missing, count as NOT obtaining prophylactic antibiotic on time. procedures 4. Applies to clean or clean contaminated targeted operative procedures only; dirty and contaminated cases are Open colorectal excluded surgery 2017-2018: 67.2% Caesarian section 2017-2018: 77.2% Normothermia in **Perioperative Normothermia** PACU Indicator Definition: Clean and clean-contaminated targeted surgical clients with normothermia (36.0°C - 38.0°C) on Target - 95% or Total # of targeted surgical arrival to the post-anesthesia care unit (PACU). higher clients with normothermia on SH-SS rate of arrival to the PACU x100 The targeted surgical procedures are: clients with Total # of targeted surgical normothermia on procedures Clean and clean-contaminated open colorectal arrival to the PACU Clean and clean-contaminated Cesarean section. for targeted Guideline surgical 1. Measures should be taken to ensure that the core temperature of surgical patients remains between 36.0°C and procedures/100 38.0°C pre-operatively, intra-operatively, and postoperatively. targeted surgical 2. In PACU, the client temperature is measured and documented on admission to PACU and then every 15 minutes. procedures The auditor uses the first temperature recorded on admission to PACU (within 15 minutes of admission to PACU). Open colorectal 3. Applies to clean or clean contaminated targeted operative procedures only; dirty and contaminated cases are surgery excluded. 2017-2018: 91% Caesarian section 2017-2018: 85.4%

Table 3. Surveillance Periods for SSI Following Selected NHSN Operative Procedure Categories. Day 1 = the date of the procedure.

| | 30-day Surveillance | | | | |
|------|---|--------------------|------------------------------------|--|--|
| Code | Operative Procedure | Code | Operative Procedure | | |
| AAA | Abdominal aortic aneurysm repair | LAM | Laminectomy | | |
| AMP | Limb amputation | LTP | Liver transplant | | |
| APPY | Appendix surgery | NECK | Neck surgery | | |
| AVSD | Shunt for dialysis | NEPH | Kidney surgery | | |
| BILI | Bile duct, liver or pancreatic surgery | OVRY | Ovarian surgery | | |
| CEA | Carotid endarterectomy | PRST | Prostate surgery | | |
| CHOL | Gallbladder surgery | REC | Rectal surgery | | |
| COLO | Colon surgery | SB | Small bowel surgery | | |
| CSEC | Cesarean section | SPLE | Spleen surgery | | |
| GAST | Gastric surgery | THOR | Thoracic surgery | | |
| HTP | Heart transplant | THYR | Thyroid and/or parathyroid surgery | | |
| HYST | Abdominal hysterectomy | VHYS | Vaginal hysterectomy | | |
| KTP | Kidney transplant | XLAP | Exploratory Laparotomy | | |
| BRST | 90-day Surveillance | | | | |
| CARD | Breast surgery Cardiac surgery | | | | |
| CBGB | Coronary artery bypass graft with both chest and do | nor site incisions | | | |
| CBGC | Coronary artery bypass graft with chest incision onli | | | | |
| CRAN | Craniotomy | | | | |
| FUSN | Spinal fusion | | | | |
| FX | Open reduction of fracture | | | | |
| HER | Herniorrhaphy | | | | |
| HPRO | Hip prosthesis | | | | |
| KPRO | Knee prosthesis | | | | |
| PACE | Pacemaker surgery | | | | |
| PVBY | Peripheral vascular bypass surgery | | | | |
| VSHN | Ventricular shunt | | | | |

Note: Superficial incisional SSIs are only followed for a 30-day period for all procedure types.

Source: National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) Patient Safety Component Manual Chapter 9: Surgical Site Infection (SSI) Event, January 2019

Table 4. Specific Sites of an Organ/Space SSI.

| Code | Site | Code | Site |
|------|--|------|--|
| BONE | Osteomyelitis | MED | Mediastinitis |
| BRST | Breast abscess or mastitis | MEN | Meningitis or ventriculitis |
| CARD | Myocarditis or pericarditis | ORAL | Oral cavity infection (mouth, tongue, or gums) |
| DISC | Disc space infection | OREP | Deep pelvic tissue infection or other infection of the male |
| | | | or female reproductive tract |
| EAR | Ear, mastoid infection | PJI | Periprosthetic joint infection |
| EMET | Endometritis | SA | Spinal abscess infection |
| ENDO | Endocarditis | SINU | Sinusitis |
| GIT | Gastrointestinal (GI) tract infection | UR | Upper respiratory tract, pharyngitis, laryngitis, epiglottitis |
| IAB | Intraabdominalinfection, not specified elsewhere | USI | Urinary System Infection |
| IC | Intracranial infection | VASC | Arterial or venous infection |
| JNT | Joint or bursa infection | VCUF | Vaginal cuff infection |
| LUNG | Other infections of the lower respiratory tract | | |

(Criteria for these sites can be found in the Surveillance Definitions for Specific Types of Infections chapter).

Hand Hygiene Observational Audit Indicator Definitions

Source: Hand Hygiene Compliance Monitoring and Reporting – Quality and Patient Safety Council, Manitoba Health, Seniors and Active Living, April 26, 2017

Hand Hygiene Observational audit

Hand Hygiene Observational audit

NOTE: Data on hand hygiene (HH) compliance is used for comparison at the regional and provincial level. A higher number of observed opportunities will generate a more reliable and representative HH compliance rate.

The GOAL for HH compliance is 80%. with an overall target of 100% compliance.

The provincially set target for facilities according to the number of beds is as follows: 25 or less = 50/quarter

26-50 = 100/quarter51-100 = 200/quarter 101-150 = 300/quarter

SH-SS compliance rate of HCW performing hand hygiene when opportunities arise /100 hand hygiene opportunities

Acute

Audits are conducted regularly and submitted preferably monthly but at minimum quarterly.

Compliance by Moment/Indication

The percentage of client encounters for which there was compliance by health care workers with Moment 1: Before client or client environment contact according to the hand hygiene policy/4 Moments Hand Hygiene Monitoring Tool

2017-2018: 68% **PCH**

2017-2018: 85.1%

The percentage of client encounters for which there was compliance by health care workers with Moment 2: Before aseptic technique/procedure according to the hand hygiene policy/4 Moments Hand Hygiene Monitoring Tool

The percentage of client encounters for which there was compliance by health care workers with Moment 3: After blood or body fluid contact according to the hand hygiene policy/4 Moments Hand Hygiene Monitoring Tool

The percentage of client encounters for which there was compliance by health care workers with Moment 4: After client or client environment contact according to the hand hygiene policy/4 Moments Hand Hygiene Monitoring Tool

Compliance by Opportunity

The percentage of hand hygiene compliance by health care workers meeting the need to perform hand hygiene according to the hand hygiene policy captured by trained auditors using the 4 Moments for Hand Hygiene Observation Tool.

Total # of Moment 1 hand rub/wash compliance x100 Total # of Moment 1 hand rub/wash indications

Total # of Moment 2 hand rub/wash compliance x100 Total # of Moment 2 hand rub/wash indications

Total # of Moment 3 hand rub/wash compliance Total # of Moment 3 hand rub/wash indications

Total # of Moment 4 hand rub/wash compliance x100 Total # of Moment 4 hand rub/wash indications

Total # of hand rub/wash compliant opportunities x100 Total # of opportunities

References

Canadian Nosocomial Infection Surveillance Program (CNISP) 2017 Surveillance Protocol for MRSA Infections in CNISP Hospitals, Revised January 23, 2017. Available from: https://www.ammi.ca/Guideline/35.ENG.pdf

Government of Manitoba. Communicable Disease Management Protocol. Clostridioides difficile Infection (CDI), February 2019.

Available from: https://www.gov.mb.ca/health/publichealth/cdc/protocol/cdi.pdf

Hand Hygiene Compliance Monitoring and Reporting – Quality and Patient Safety Council, Manitoba Health, Seniors and Active Living, April 26, 2017.

Available from:

 $\frac{\text{https://portal/collaboration/StaffDev/Infection\%20Prevention\%20and\%20Control/Hand\%20Hygiene/MHSAL\%20Hand\%20Hygiene\%20Monitoring\%20Reporting\%20Process}{\%20doc\%202017/HH\%20Monitoring\%20Process-April\%2026-17-FINAL.pdf}$

Manitoba Health, Seniors and Active Living (MHSAL) ARO Definitions, November 2018. Available from: http://www.gov.mb.ca/health/publichealth/cdc/docs/ipc/aro_definitions.pdf

National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) Patient Safety Component Manual, Chapter 2 Identifying Healthcare-associated Infections (HAI) for NHSN Surveillance, January 2019. Available from: https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/pdfs/pscmanual/2psc_identifyinghais_nhsncurrent.pdf

National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) Patient Safety Component Manual Chapter 7: CDC/NHSN Surveillance Definitions for Specific Types of Infections, January 2019. Available from: http://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/PDFs/pscManual/17pscNosInfDef_current.pdf

National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) Patient Safety Component Manual Chapter 9: Surgical Site Infection (SSI) Event, January 2019.

Available from: https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/PDFs/pscManual/9pscSSlcurrent.pdf

Public Health Agency of Canada. 2018 Canadian Nosocomial Infection Surveillance Program (CNISP) HAI Surveillance Case definitions.

Available from: https://www.ammi.ca/Guideline/53.ENG.pdf

Safer Healthcare Now! Prevent Surgical Site Infections – Getting Started Kit, December 2014.

Available from: http://www.patientsafetyinstitute.ca/en/toolsResources/Documents/Interventions/Surgical%20Site%20Infection/SSI%20Getting%20Started%20Kit.pdf

Surveillance Definitions of Infections in Canadian Long Term Care Facilities, IPAC News, Fall 2017.

Available from: https://www.patientsafetvinstitute.ca/en/About/PatientSafetvForwardWith4/Documents/Canadian%20LTC%20Surveillance%20Definitions.pdf

2018 Canadian Nosocomial Infection Surveillance Project (CNISP) definitions for CDI. Available from: https://www.ammi.ca/Guideline/44.ENG.pdf