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To: Healthcare Facility Leaders and Administrators

As previously communicated by the Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health, the Southern Nevada Health District (SNHD) will assume primary responsibility for Healthcare Associated Infections (HAI) prevention and control activities in Clark County beginning January 1, 2026. Under this transition, SNHD will lead HAI investigations, respond to outbreaks occurring within licensed healthcare facilities, and support facilities in strengthening infection prevention and control (IPC) practices.

SNHD will respond to reports of HAIs, suspected clusters, and outbreaks in acute care, long-term, and other medical facilities including outpatient settings. The HAI team will also provide support through the Infection Control Assessment and Response (ICAR) framework, offering recommendations, training, and resources upon request. Facilities are encouraged to contact SNHD whenever assistance is needed.

This transition pertains solely to HAI oversight and does not change existing communicable disease reporting requirements. Licensed healthcare facilities must continue reporting all individual reportable diseases pursuant to NAC 441.A, including clusters and outbreaks, and any condition identified by the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) as a nationally notifiable condition.

To promote consistency in applying reporting requirements, below are examples of HAI-related infections, organisms, conditions and events that should be reported to SNHD.

Examples of Reportable HAI-Related Organisms and Events

(This list is not all-inclusive; when in doubt, please report.)

Reportable diseases and conditions include those listed in NAC 441.A, and any condition identified by the CDC as a nationally notifiable condition. This includes, but is not limited to:

- *Candida auris*
- Carbapenem-resistant Enterobacteriaceae (CRE), including *Enterobact spp.*, *Escherichia coli* and *Klebsiella spp.*
- All Carbapenemase Producing Organisms (CPO)
- Outbreak or increased incidence of any multi-drug resistant organism (MDRO), such as methicillin-resistant *S. aureus* (MRSA) colonization or infection in a [neonatal intensive care unit \(NICU\)](#), or a specific CPO in a long-term care facility
- Single case of presumptive healthcare-associated [Legionnaires' disease](#)

- Single case of postpartum, post-surgical, or facility outbreak of healthcare-associated invasive group A beta-hemolytic *Streptococcus*
- Vancomycin intermediate staphylococcus aureus (VISA)
- Vancomycin resistant staphylococcus aureus (VRSA)
- Outbreak or increased incidence of any infectious agent, device- or procedure-associated infection, such as an increase in cases of patients with cultures positive for *Burkholderia* in an intensive care unit, or a case of post-operative or post-procedure extrapulmonary nontuberculous mycobacteria
- Facility outbreak of [COVID-19](#), [influenza](#), pneumonia, other respiratory viral pathogen (e.g., respiratory syncytial virus), or gastroenteritis (e.g., [norovirus](#))
- Infections suspected to be associated with contaminated medication, transfused blood products (e.g., platelets), or other distributed [medical product](#)
- Foodborne infectious disease outbreak

Facilities may also choose to report additional National Healthcare Safety Network-tracked events, including:

- Central line-associated bloodstream infections (CLABSI)
- Catheter-associated urinary tract infections (CAUTI)
- Ventilator-associated events (VAE)
- Post-operative or surgical site infections (SSI), especially clusters or procedure-linked patterns

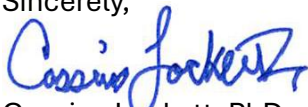
Outbreaks of any condition should generally be reported, even if the organism is not typically associated with healthcare settings.

How to Report HAI and Reportable Conditions to SNHD

- Online: <https://www.southernnevadahealthdistrict.org/news-info/reportable-diseases/reportable-diseases-form/>
- Fax: 702-759-1414
- Call: 702-759-1300

Questions, requests for recommendations, consultations, or training may be directed to HAI@snhd.org.

Sincerely,



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