

DQA Quarterly Information Update



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Nursing Home Infection Preventionist Free Online Training Available

Bureau of Education Services and Technology

On November 28, 2019, federal regulations code [§ 483.80\(b\)](#) takes effect. This code requires an infection preventionist in long-term care facilities. The infection preventionist is responsible for the infection prevention and control program (IPCP) within a long-term care facility. Many nursing homes have contacted

DQA to ask what training in IPCP is available in order to qualify an employee(s) to be an infection preventionist.

The federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention [TRAIN Learning Network](#) offers Nursing Home infection preventionist training. The [free online training](#)

program includes 23 modules and submodules. The estimated time to complete the course is 20 hours. Participants are able to earn continuing education credit (CME, CNE or CEU) from [this training](#).

Email [Vicky Griffin](#) with any questions.

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Northern Regional Office Nursing Home Forums 2019

Bureau of Nursing Home Resident Care

Department of Health Services
Conference Room A
2187 North Stevens Street
Rhineland, WI 54501

Friday, April 26
Friday, July 26
Friday, November 1

All forum times are 9 to 11 a.m.

Southern Regional Office Nursing Home Forums 2019

Bureau of Nursing Home Resident Care

Iowa County Health and Human Services
Building
Community Room
303 West Chapel Street
Dodgeville, WI 53533

Wednesday, April 24
Wednesday, July 31
Wednesday, October 30

All forum times are 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

"In the spring, I have counted 136 different kinds of weather inside of 24 hours."
-Mark Twain



Am I Protected Against Measles?

Bureau of Education Services and Technology

Numerous providers have contacted DQA about how they determine whether individuals are protected against measles. The CDC provides the following information on their [website](#).

“The return on investment in global health is tremendous, and the biggest bang for the buck comes from vaccines. Vaccines are among the most successful and cost-effective health investments in history.”

*-Seth Berkley, CEO of
GAVI, the Vaccine
Alliance*

Q: Am I protected against measles?

A: The CDC considers you protected from measles if you have written documentation (records) showing at least one of the following:

- You received two doses of measles-containing vaccine, and you are:
 - ◊ A school-aged child (grades K-12).
 - ◊ An adult who will be in a setting that poses a high risk for measles transmission, including students at post-high school education institutions, health care personnel, and international travelers.
- You received one dose of measles-containing vaccine, and you are:
 - ◊ A preschool-aged child.
 - ◊ An adult who will not be in a high-risk setting for measles transmission.
- A laboratory confirmed that you had measles at some point in your life
- A laboratory confirmed that you are immune to measles
- You were born before 1957

Q: What should I do if I'm unsure whether I'm immune to measles?

A: If you're unsure whether you are immune to measles, you should first try to [find your vaccination records](#) or documentation of measles immunity. If you do not have written documentation of measles immunity, you should get vaccinated with measles-mumps-rubella (MMR) vaccine. Another option is to have a doctor test your blood to determine whether you're immune. But this option is likely to cost more and will take two doctor visits. There is no harm in getting another dose of MMR vaccine if you may already be immune to measles (or mumps or rubella).



Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendment (CLIA) Fee Schedule

Bureau of Health Services

The Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendment (CLIA) is a federal fee-funded program that is overseen by Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). CLIA regulates clinical laboratories that accept human samples (blood, body fluids etc.). CLIA-regulated laboratories may operate under four certificate types: Certificate of Compliance, Certificate of Accreditation, Certificate of Waiver, or a Provider Performed Microscopy Certificate. The federal fees to operate a laboratory under any of these certificate types are determined by CMS. **The CLIA biennial fees that became effective on December 31, 2018, are as follows:**

Registration: \$100 (One-time registration fee required only for laboratories applying for Certificate of Compliance or Certificate of Accreditation)

Certificate of Waiver: \$180

Provider-Performed Microscopy Certificate: \$240

Certificate of Compliance and Certificate of Accreditation Fees			
Test Vol Schedule	Number of Specialties	Annual Test Volume	Certificate Fee
Sch. V	N/A	2,000 or less	\$180
Sch. A	3 or Fewer	2,001 - 10,000	\$180
Sch. B	4 or More	2,001 - 10,000	\$180
Sch. C	3 or Fewer	10,001 -25,000	\$516
Sch. D	4 or More	10,001 -25,000	\$528
Sch. E	N/A	25,001 - 50,000	\$780
Sch. F	N/A	50,001 - 75,000	\$1,320
Sch. G	N/A	75,001 - 100,000	\$1,860
Sch. H	N/A	100,001 - 500,000	\$2,448
Sch. I	N/A	500,001 - 1,000,000	\$7,464
Sch. J	N/A	Greater than 1,000,000	\$9,528

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Compliance/Survey Fee and Accreditation/Validation Fee (5% of corresponding Compliance/Survey fee)				
Test Vol Schedule	Number of Specialties	Annual Test Volume	Compliance/ Survey Fee	Validation Fee
Sch. V	N/A	2,000 or less	\$360	\$18
Sch. A	3 or Fewer	2,001 - 10,000	\$1,192	\$60
Sch. B	4 or More	2,001 - 10,000	\$1,591	\$80
Sch. C	3 or Fewer	10,001 -25,000	\$1,988	\$99
Sch. D	4 or More	10,001 -25,000	\$2,336	\$117
Sch. E	N/A	25,001 - 50,000	\$2,684	\$134
Sch. F	N/A	50,001 - 75,000	\$3,032	\$152
Sch. G	N/A	75,001 - 100,000	\$3,380	\$169
Sch. H	N/A	100,001 - 500,000	\$3,728	\$186
Sch. I	N/A	500,001 - 1,000,000	\$4,076	\$204
Sch. J	N/A	Greater than 1,000,000	\$4,408	\$220

Free Dementia Training for Certified Nursing Homes

Administrative Services Unit

Take the Virtual Dementia Tour®!

This life-changing experience will give your staff the insight and empathy needed to provide better person-centered care by helping them identify personally with the needs of those living with dementia. It is free to participate!

Participating certified nursing homes receive:

- The Virtual Dementia Tour® (VDT) conducted by a Second Wind Dreams certified trainer.
- Train-the-trainer instruction provided on how to conduct the tour inside the nursing home. This is beyond the initial training.

- CEU credit for nursing, dietetic, activities, and National Association of Long-Term Care Administrator Boards available.
- A complete copy of the VDT program, including patented equipment such as glasses, shoe inserts, and gloves.

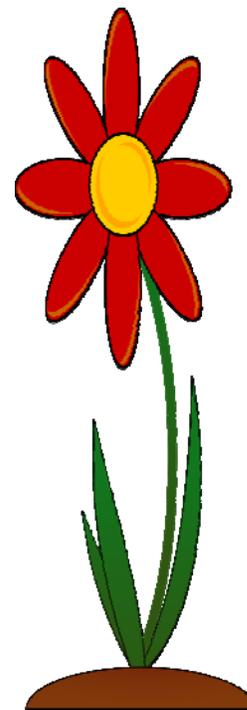
Each VDT trainer will train two designated staff per nursing home as authorized VDT facilitators. The nursing home VDT facilitator may train other key staff in the nursing home as additional VDT facilitators.

Trained VDT facilitators are able to provide the VDT to all staff, volunteers, and

family members at the facility. The nursing home may also invite an unlimited number of members from the community (community organizations, health care staff, etc.) to the facility and provide these individuals with VDT.

Funded by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, the Virtual Dementia Tour Comprehensive Education Program brings hands-on, in-depth training to your staff at no cost!

For more information and to request an application, visit [Wisconsin Virtual Dementia Tour®](#).



Changes In DQA Staff

Bureau of Assisted Living (BAL)

Roberta Montgomery was appointed as nurse consultant 1 on March 18, 2019. Her location is Southeastern Regional Office.

Alissa Iwanski was appointed as operations program assistant on April 1, 2019. Her location is Central Office.

Bureau of Education Services and Technology (BEST)

Anthony Lockett was appointed as information technology technical services senior on March 4, 2019. He works at Southeastern Regional Office.

Bureau of Nursing Home Resident Care (BNHRC)

Mark Bowar was appointed as health services specialist on March 4, 2019. His location is Southern Regional Office.

Office Plan Review and Inspection (OCQ)

David Lintz was appointed as architect/engineer supervisor on March 17, 2019. He works at Central Office.

Quality, Safety, and Oversight Letters (January, February, March) (formerly Survey and Certification Letters)

Listed below are quality, safety, and oversight (QSO) letters distributed by Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) since our last issue was published. The CMS website for reviewing all memos is located at:

<http://www.cms.gov/medicare/provider-enrollment-and-certification/surveycertificationgenInfo/policy-and-memos-to-states-and-regions.html>

CMS QSO Memo No. Affected Provider(s)	Title
19-04-NH-HHA-CLIA	Notice of Final Rule Adjusting Civil Monetary Penalties for Inflation
19-05-Transplant	Survey and Approval of Pancreas and Intestine Transplant Centers
19-06-ALL	Emergency Preparedness—Updates to Appendix Z of the State Operations Manual
19-07-NH	Enhanced Oversight and Enforcement of Non-Improving Late Adopters
19-08-NH	April 2019 Improvements to Nursing Home Compare and the Five Star Rating System
19-09-ALL	Revisions to Appendix Q, Guidance on Immediate Jeopardy
19-10-NH	Specialized Infection Prevention and Control Training for Nursing Home Staff in the Long-Term Care Setting is Now Available

DQA Publications (January, February, March)

Listed below are DQA publications that have been newly created during the past quarter. DQA publications can be accessed online at: <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/publications/index.htm>

Number	Title	Date
P-01826	Implementation of Home and Community-Based Services Setting Rule in Assisted Living Facilities	01/2019

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