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**COLORADO HEALTH FACILITY
ACQUIRED INFECTIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
DECEMBER 14, 2010
MINUTES**

Note: These minutes are a summary of the proceedings and motions of the December 14, 2010, meeting of the Colorado Health Facility Acquired Infections Advisory Committee.

CALL TO ORDER

B. Burton, Chair, called the December 14, 2010, Colorado Health Facility Acquired Infections Advisory Committee (CHFAIAC) to order at approximately 2:20 p.m. at the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, 4300 Cherry Creek Drive South, Denver, Colorado, 80246.

Members Present (In Person)

Ms. B. Burton (Chairperson); Ms. Heather Gilmartin; Ms. Sue Mazula; Ms. Amber Miller; Mr. Kerry O'Connell; Mr. Paul Poduska; and Ms. Allison Sabel-Soteres.

Members Present (Via Teleconference)

Ms. Denise de Percin and Ms. Peggy SaBell.

CDPHE Staff Present

Dr. Tamara Hoxworth; Ms. Kim Nguyen (minutes recorder); Dr. Sara Reese; Ms. Karen Rich; and Mr. Juan Suazo.

Guests and Visitors Present

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

B. Burton presented the draft minutes from the November 16, 2010 meeting of the Colorado Health Facility Acquired Infections Advisory Committee.

MOTION

MOVED BY PAUL PODUSKA, SECONDED BY HEATHER GILMARTIN, TO APPROVE THE DRAFT MINUTES FROM THE NOVEMBER 16, 2010, MEETING OF THE COLORADO HEALTH FACILITY ACQUIRED INFECTIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

MOTION CARRIED

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Incomplete Procedure Issue in NHSN

Sara Reese

Sara Reese told committee members that NHSN released a new version of software in November that permits the calculation of standardized infection ratios (SIRs) for central line-associated bloodstream infection (CLABSI) and surgical site infection (SSI) data. The new version now uses a logistic regression model that considers all procedure-level data collected by NHSN facilities in order to provide better risk adjustment than afforded by the risk index.

Dr. Reese said the new NHSN tool has resulted in incomplete procedure issues among reporting facilities. Several committee members commented their facilities are encountering the same problems and were working to correct them. As a result, Dr. Reese said the Patient Safety Program Team has had to analyze the data differently for the 2011 Annual Report.

Dr. Reese informed committee members the Department will be hiring an epidemiologist who will help with cleaning up data with the facilities. The Patient Safety Program team will also be working with facilities to resolve issues once the annual report is completed. The team plans on sending out incomplete procedure reports in addition to missing data reports to facilities at the beginning of 2011. Heather Gilmartin suggested sending out instructions to smaller facilities or to facilities that manually enter data to ease frustration.

VALIDATION STUDY AND TRAINING AND EDUCATION UPDATES

Karen Rich and Tamara Hoxworth

Karen Rich reported to advisory committee members 21 facilities have been audited and 231 records have been reviewed.

Ms. Rich told members the last four facilities that were audited have revealed similar findings to previous facilities with a few exceptions. She said one LTAC facility's contract lab was not consistently identifying sites with positive cultures. One hospital's medical-surgical unit was not collecting denominator data in a timely manner. The same hospital did not report two patients on its line listing for the first quarter positive blood cultures when they were drawn, but they appeared on the line listing for the second quarter when their results came back.

Discussion followed regarding:

- How to handle reporting if a CLABSI is discovered over quarterly periods; and
- When reporting should be done, on the IP-side or the Lab-side (When a patient is drawn versus Results received.)

Ms. Rich said she and Sara Reese are working with the facilities and following up to ensure more accurate reporting to NHSN.

Regarding training and education efforts by the Department, Ms. Rich and Tamara Hoxworth told committee members that a SSI training session was completed on Dec. 7. Some attendees said the information was too basic and they wanted more case studies and analysis instruction. A second SSI training session completed on Dec. 9 had more case studies and analysis instruction; this session was better received. The Patient Safety Program team is currently seeking more SSI case studies to use in future training sessions.

Dr. Hoxworth and Ms. Rich informed members that Dialysis training sessions have been scheduled for Feb. 15 and 16 from 1 to 4 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: 2011 ANNUAL REPORT

Sara Reese

The legal authority for closing this portion of the meeting is in Colorado Revised Statute 24-6-402(3)(a)(III). The executive session was called to review data that will be used for the 2011 Annual Report. The topic and information being discussed are confidential in nature and are protected under Colorado Revised Statute §25-3-605.

MOTION

MOVED BY PAUL PODUSKA, SECONDED BY SUE MAZULA, TO BEGIN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

MOTION CARRIED

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Executive session began at 2:40 p.m. and was attended by: Ms. B. Burton (Chairperson); Ms. Heather Gilmartin; Ms. Sue Mazula; Ms. Amber Miller; Mr. Kerry O'Connell; Ms. Denise de Percin; Mr. Paul Poduska; Ms. Allison Sabel-

Soteres; Ms. Peggy SaBell; Dr. Tamara Hoxworth; Ms. Kim Nguyen; Dr. Sara Reese; Ms. Karen Rich; and Mr. Juan Suazo.

During the executive session, the committee discussed the data that will be used in the 2011 Annual Report.

By unanimous consent, the executive session was adjourned and the meeting was returned to open session at 4:07 p.m.

THE PATIENT SAFETY PROGRAM TEAM WILL CONTINUE WORK ON THE 2011 ANNUAL REPORT, BASED ON SUGGESTIONS MADE BY THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

COMMITTEE MEMBER UPDATES

Tamara Hoxworth informed committee members that the monthly Colorado HAI Prevention Collaborative call is scheduled on Dec. 16 at 1 p.m. A training session, an two-day epidemiology course to be taught by Amber Miller, has been moved from January to mid-March. The collaborative's third learning session has been scheduled in May.

An online emergency meeting to go over 2011 Annual Report data was scheduled on Jan. 4 at 2 p.m. Sara Reese will send committee members information and a meeting request to connect online.

Sue Mazula and Amber Miller were thanked by committee members and CDPHE staff for their service on the advisory committee.

FUTURE MEETING DATES

The scheduled 2011 meeting dates for the Colorado Health Facility Acquired Infection Advisory Committee are:

January 4, 2011	Online	2 p.m.
January 25, 2011	John Snow room	2-4 p.m.
February 22, 2011	C1A	2-4 p.m.
March 29, 2011	C1A	2-4 p.m.
April 26, 2011	C1A	2-4 p.m.
May 31, 2011	C1A	2-4 p.m.
June 28, 2011	C1A	2-4 p.m.
July 26, 2011	C1A	2-4 p.m.
August 30, 2011	C1A	2-4 p.m.
September 27, 2011	C1A	2-4 p.m.
October 25, 2011	C1A	2-4 p.m.

Committee members: Please note that a secure line and Webinar will be set up for all future committee meetings. This will allow committee members to participate in executive session remotely.

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ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:12 p.m.