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## Healthcare-Associated Infection Advisory Committee (HAI-AC)

Legislatively mandated committee charged with making recommendations to the CDHP on prevention of healthcare-associated infections.

### 3 members from Sacramento area:

- Shelly Morris RN, CIC
- Terry M Nelson MBA, RN, CIC
- Dr. Anvarali Velji, MD, FRCP, FACP, FIDSA;

### Meetings are open to the public

- Next meeting January 24, 2008 in Sacramento
- May contact committee by e-mail [infectioncontrol@cdph.ca.gov](mailto:infectioncontrol@cdph.ca.gov) or (510) 620-3434
- Agenda to be posted on CDPH website

## CDPH Central Line Insertion Practices (CLIP) Adherence Monitoring Tool

Instructions for tool use and the tool are available for at this time. Note: no data entry into NHSN or reporting to CDPH is required until after formal notification by CDPH.

## Emergence of Multidrug-Resistant, Community-Associated, Methicillin-Resistant Staphylococcus aureus Clone USA300 in Men Who Have Sex with Men

Presents data on the identification of a multi-drug resistant strain of MRSA identified in San Francisco and Boston. Covers the period of 2004 – 2006. Conclusions: Infection with multi-drug USA300 MRSA is common among men who have sex with men, and multi-drug resistant MRSA infection might be sexually transmitted in this population. Annals of Internal Medicine, 2/19/08, vol 148, issue 4 <http://www.annals.org/cgi/content/full/0000605-200802190-00204v1#TA1>

## Legislation to watch

**SB 1058** (Alquist) Medical Facility Infection Control and Prevention Act

- Requires health care facility and residential care facilities for the elderly to implement screening, prevention, and reporting of specified facility acquired infections

- Increased laboratory testing and reporting of bacterial species and antibiotic resistance patterns.

- Defines “colonized”, “Health facility acquired infection”, and “MRSA”

- Requires screening for MRSA inpatient orthopedic, cardiac surgery, ICU, burn unit or other high risk unit for MRSA.

- Defines cleaning standards of health facilities

- Establishes staffing ratios for infection control staff: 1:100 occupied beds, and 1:200 outpatient visits/day

## S.2525 (Menendez) “MRSA Infection Prevention and Patient Protection Act”

- Require hospitals via NHSN to report number of cases of HA-MRSA

- Outlines screening, contact precautions, cohorting, etc of patients,

- Requires additional testing before discharge from ICU

## S.2526 (Menendez) “Worker Infection Protection Act”

- Requires Secretaries of Labor and HHS to develop and issue workplace standards, recommendations, and plans to protect health care workers, first responders, police, firefighters, etc, from workplace exposures infectious agents and drug resistant infections such as MRSA and pandemic influenza.

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