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TO: Medical Directors, Nursing Home Administrators, Directors/Assistant  
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Educators

FROM: Lauren A. Backman RN, MHS   
Epidemiologist III, CT DPH HAI-AR Program

DATE: November 8, 2019

SUBJECT: Educational program on new Centers for Disease Control (CDC) Guidance on “Implementation of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) in Nursing Homes to Prevent Spread of Novel or Targeted Multi-drug-resistant Organisms (MDROs)”

On July 29, 2019, CDC issued new guidelines to nursing homes for the implementation of **Enhanced Barrier Precautions** which falls between Standard and Contact Precautions, and requires gown and glove use for certain residents during specific high-contact resident care activities that have been found to increase risk for MDRO transmission. The Department of Public Health’s (DPH), Healthcare-Associated Infections & Antimicrobial Resistance (HAI -AR) program is offering several trainings on implementation of the new CDC Enhanced Barrier Precautions guidelines.

The educational program is for: Physicians, Physician Assistants, Administrators, Directors of Nursing, Infection Preventionists, Registered Nurses, Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurses, and other health educators, If you have any questions, please contact Lauren Backman RN, MHS at 860-509-7995 or [lauren.backman@ct.gov](mailto:lauren.backman@ct.gov)

**Please share the attached Training Registration Form with your staff!!!**

## Date/Time/Location:

Two training dates will be available. The same topics will be covered both days. **Please pick one:**

- Friday, December 6, 2019  
From 8:15 AM – 12:00 PM
- OR
- Thursday, January 9, 2020  
From 8:15 AM- 12:00 PM

In case of snow, the makeup date is January 17, 2020.

The training will be held at:

- **Gaylord Hospital- Chauncey Center- Kyriacou Lecture Hall**  
50 Gaylord Farm Rd  
Wallingford, CT 06492  
Phone: 203-284-2800

## Course Description:

The CT DPH and ICNC of CT are offering a training for staff in Nursing Homes on implementing the new Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines: “Enhanced Barrier Precautions” to prevent the spread of novel or targeted Multi Drug Resistant Organisms (MDROs).

On July 29, 2019, CDC released new guidance for PPE use and room restriction in nursing homes to prevent the transmission of novel or targeted MDROs, as part of a public health containment response. The new approach called **Enhanced Barrier Precautions**, falls between Standard and Contact Precautions, and requires gown and glove use for certain residents during specific high-contact resident care activities that have been found to increase risk for MDRO transmission.

This training will review the new **Enhanced Barrier Precautions** and will provide guidance and answer questions on implementation of the new precautions.

## Training Objectives:

- Describe burden of MDROs
- Describe challenges to preventing MDRO transmission in nursing homes
- Define Standard Precautions, Enhanced Barrier Precautions (EBP), and Contact Precautions.
- Identify which residents and activities meet criteria for EBP.
- Discuss best practices for implementing EBP.

## Course Audience:

- This training is for nursing home Infection Prevention nurses, Physicians, Physician Assistants, Registered Nurses, Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurses, Administrators, Program Managers, and other health educators

## General Information:

The fee for this training is \$15.00; which includes course materials, and continental breakfast. No refunds will be given. Attendee substitutions can be made up to one week prior to the training by contacting us. No shows are responsible for full training fee. Walk-in registrations will not be accepted. Confirmation of registration will be by e-mail upon receipt of payment.

**If you have additional questions, call:**

Lauren Backman, RN, MHS – CT DPH  
(860) 509 – 7995

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**New CDC Guidance: Implementing Enhanced Barrier Precautions to Prevent the Spread of Targeted MDROs in Nursing Homes**

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**Register Early - Limited Seating**

**Make check payable to:**

**Treasurer – State of CT**

Payment must accompany this registration form.

**Send checks to:**

**Lauren Backman, RN, MHS**

**CT Department of Public Health**

**410 Capitol Ave., MS #11 FDS**

**P.O. Box 340308**

**Hartford, CT 06134-0308**

No phone registrations, faxes, credit cards, vouchers or purchase orders will be accepted.

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Years in Position: \_\_\_\_\_