

HAI Collaborating Partners Committee

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Mission:

The HAI Collaborating Partners Committee will assess and analyze the status of infection prevention and control in the state of Maine and make recommendations on state strategies for the reduction of healthcare associated infections across all healthcare settings.

Objectives:

1. Provide guidance to the Maine Quality Forum (MQF) for the reporting of metrics related to healthcare associated infections for Chapter 270.
 - a. Evaluate the completeness and the accuracy of reporting requirements.
 - b. Establish priorities for external validation studies.
 - c. Recommend additions and deletions of HAI related metrics.
2. Evaluate successfulness of the State HAI Plan and update as needs/priorities demand.
 - a. Review infection prevention and control data on a state level.
 - b. Develop mitigation strategies for addressing identified gaps in infection prevention and control.
 - c. Analyze healthcare associated infection data by region to assess infection/pathogen threat.
 - d. Provide guidance to address potential emerging threats.

Membership:

This volunteer committee shall include persons with expertise in the surveillance, prevention, and control of healthcare associated infections; safe and effective medication use; clinical laboratory testing; healthcare facility administration and nursing leadership; infectious disease and patient care; healthcare preparedness activities; accreditation and licensing; as well as representatives from applicable state healthcare associations and coalitions.

Staff:

This committee will be chaired by a representative from each of the following organizations:

- Maine Center for Disease Control (Maine CDC)
- Maine Quality Forum (MQF)

Attachment 1: Membership

| # | Organization | Title | Representative | Email | Phone |
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