

Lbc9/Elhb CONTROL ASSESSMENT

***Candida (Candidozyma) auris (C. auris)* Prevention and Control Strategies**

This tool is intended to be used to identify areas of opportunity for further improvement.

INFECTION PREVENTION & CONTROL (IPC) INFRASTRUCTURE

Questions		Facility Practice	Notes (optional)
1	Is there a dedicated Infection Preventionist on staff?	☐ Yes ☐ No	
2	Does this IP have training?	☐ Yes ☐ No	What training? ☐ CDC ☐ CMS ☐ APIC ☐ SHEA ☐ Other: _____
3	Do Infection Prevention & Control policies address <i>C. auris</i> ?	☐ Yes ☐ No	
4	Do clinical staff have regular scheduled training in infection prevention?	☐ Yes ☐ No	How often? ☐ 12 mo ☐ 6 mo ☐ 3 mo ☐ 1 mo ☐ Other: _____

HAND HYGIENE (HH)

5	Hand hygiene before, during and after the care of patients/residents	☐ Yes ☐ No	
6	Assure HH dispensers/sinks are available	☐ Yes ☐ No	
7	Placement of ABHR dispensers outside patient/resident rooms	☐ Every room ☐ If not every room, # per hallway: _____	
8	Placement of ABHR dispensers inside patient/resident rooms	☐ Yes ☐ No	
9	Have a system in place to educate and audit HH amongst staff (optimally to address different areas, providers and shifts)	☐ Yes ☐ No	

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE) & PRECAUTIONS

10	Review Transmission-Based Precautions (TBP) signage	☐ Yes ☐ No	
11	Ensure PPE is available in proximity to TBP rooms	☐ Yes ☐ No	
12	Ensure PPE for Standard Precautions (i.e., gloves) is available within patient/resident rooms	☐ Yes ☐ No	
13	Educate and audit staff relating to: - Understanding of Standard and Transmission-Based Precautions - When to use PPE - Donning and doffing of PPE correctly	☐ Yes ☐ No	
14	Contracted staff are trained on PPE and TBP	☐ Yes ☐ No	

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES (EVS)			
15	Review cleaning and disinfectant agents	☐ Yes ☐ No	
16	Where are cleaning products effective against <i>C. auris</i> (i.e., EPA List P product) utilized?	☐ In TBP rooms ☐ All PCA ☐ Other: _____	
17	Determine contact times of the effective cleaning/disinfection products used in the facility	☐ Yes ☐ No	
18	EVS staff knowledgeable of contact times for types of disinfectants used	☐ Yes ☐ No	
19	EVS staff knowledgeable of appropriate concentration for type of disinfectant used (if solution is not pre-mixed)	☐ Yes ☐ No	
20	Ensure EVS staff utilize PPE correctly	☐ Yes ☐ No	
21	A system for who cleans which items, or what interval and what agent (e.g. responsibilities clearly delineated between EVS and front line staff) is available to facility staff	☐ Yes ☐ No	
22	Ensure thorough, appropriate cleaning/disinfection of all reusable equipment and carts on a routine basis	☐ Yes ☐ No	
23	Infection prevention and control department involved in EVS policies and processes	☐ Yes ☐ No	
24	Have a system in place to educate and audit EVS	☐ Yes ☐ No	
25	Evaluate environmental hygiene (i.e., fluorescent marker, ATP bioluminescence)	☐ Yes ☐ No	
26	Review the frequency and indications (e.g., upon transfer/discharge; when visibly soiled) for changing privacy curtains used within patient/resident rooms	☐ Yes ☐ No	How often? ☐ 12 mo ☐ 6 mo ☐ 3 mo ☐ 1 mo ☐ Other: _____
INTER-FACILITY COMMUNICATION			
27	Flag case patients' medical records	☐ Yes ☐ No	
28	Receive clear precautions information and MDRO infection/colonization history on admission	☐ Yes ☐ No	
29	Convey clear precautions information and MDRO infection/colonization history on transfer or discharge	☐ Yes ☐ No	
30	Use of an inter-facility transfer form/sheet	☐ Yes ☐ No	
EQUIPMENT/DEVICE CLEANING & DISINFECTION			
31	Review systems/processes for indicating shared equipment/devices are clean vs. soiled (e.g., bagging and tagging)	☐ Yes ☐ No	

32	Review cleaning/disinfection products used by healthcare personnel (i.e., RNs, CNAs, PTs, RTs) for patient care equipment and devices	☐ Yes ☐ No	
33	Are cleaning products effective against <i>C. auris</i> routinely utilized for shared equipment/devices?	☐ Yes ☐ No	
34	Healthcare personnel (i.e. RNs, LPNs, CNAs, PTs, RTs) are knowledgeable of contact time(s) for disinfectant(s) used	☐ Yes ☐ No	
35	Have a system in place to audit cleaning and disinfection of shared equipment/devices by healthcare personnel	☐ Yes ☐ No	

C. AURIS CONTROL STRATEGIES & OUTBREAK MITIGATION EFFORTS

36	Patients/residents are tested for <i>C. auris</i> upon admission to the facility	☐ Yes ☐ No	
37	Contact Precautions or Enhanced Barrier Precautions are implemented for patients/residents with <i>C. auris</i>	☐ Yes ☐ No	
38	Dedicated or disposable equipment is provided to patients/residents with a history of <i>C. auris</i>	☐ Yes ☐ No	
39	Review the cohorting of patients/residents	☐ Yes ☐ No	
40	Staff rounding to multiple rooms enter the rooms of patients/residents with <i>C. auris</i> last	☐ Yes ☐ No	
41	Facility has an established system/process to clearly indicate to frontline staff which patients/residents are on TBP due to a history of <i>C. auris</i>	☐ Yes ☐ No	
42	Increased audits and direct practice observations of all internal and external staff/service lines	☐ Yes ☐ No	

STAFF OBSERVATIONS

43	Hand Hygiene Adherence	____%	
44	Contact Precaution and/or EBP Adherence	____%	
45	Environmental Services (EVS) Adherence	____%	
	Fluorescent Marker check (if used)	____%	

What guidance and/or resources do you need from Public Health to better educate your staff and protect your patients/residents from *C. auris*? How can we help you?

RECOMMENDATIONS

Hand Hygiene

Transmission-Based Precautions & Personal Protective Equipment

Cleaning and Disinfection

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS: