

POLICY TRANSMITTAL MEMORANDUM

To: Recipients of the CMHC Infection Control Policy Manual

Date: October 11, 2016

From: Gloria Moore
CMHC Infection Control Policy Manual Coordinator

Re: **CMHC Infection Control Policy Manual Updates**

Listed below are updated policies for your CMHC Infection Control Policy Manual.
The Facility Management Team is expected to inform all employees of these policies before placing them in the manual.

Policy Number	Policy Name	Primary Change
		<p style="text-align: center;"><u>DISEASE REPORTING CHANGES</u></p> <p>I. REPORTABLE CONDITIONS, PAGE 1 under A. Texas Department of State Health Services (TDSHS) was spelled out The web address: https://www.dshs.texas.gov/idcu/investigation/conditions was added for reportable conditions.</p> <p>II. REPORTING under B. Attachment B was changed to Attachment A. Under B. number 2, the telephone number was changed from 1-800-270-3128 to 1-888-963-7111 for the disease reporting hot line. Under C. (Attachment C which was the Disease Reporting form was changed to attachment B which was formerly the Texas Notifiable Conditions form</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>III. REPORTING BY HOSPITAL FACILITIES.</u></p> <p>B. number 1.b Attachment D was deleted and the website address was added; https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/forms/57.120_ssi_blank.pdf <u>Under 2.</u> B. Attachment E. was deleted and the website address was added: https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/forms/57.108_primarybsi_blank.pdf</p>
B-14.19	Disease Reporting	
B-14.20	Standard Precautions	Reviewed/No Revisions
B-14.21	Transmission Based Precautions	Page 4 under References and Under Healthcare Settings. Accessed dates were updated. See policy. Appendix A was update.
B-14.22	Handwashing	Reviewed/No Revisions
B-14.23	Medical Supply Decontamination	Reviewed/No Revisions
B-14.24	Disposal of Sharps, Needles and Syringes	Reviewed/No Revisions

POLICY TRANSMITTAL MEMORANDUM

B-14.25	Special (Medical) Waste Management	Reviewed/No Revisions
B-14.26	Gastrointestinal Illness	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>GASTROINTESTINAL ILLNESS</u></p> <p>Under Procedures: II. The CID nurse was deleted and revised to state Infection Control Nurse (ICN) or designee. II. See policy for change Page 2 under VI. Norovirus was deleted and changed to <u>Gastrointestinal Illness</u>. Page 2 under VI. On the second line after the wording Control Measures Norovirus outbreaks was changed to Gastrointestinal Illness Outbreak.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Attachment C</u> <u>See policy for attachment for revisions.</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Attachment D</u> The name of this attachment is now Control Measures for <u>Gastrointestinal Illness/Norovirus Outbreaks</u>. Gastrointestinal Illness was added throughout the policy.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Definitions</u> The Medical Restrictions were revised to state: A process used to interrupt the transmission of an infectious disease by removing contagious offenders from other offenders, for the duration of the infections period and for monitoring exposed susceptible offenders for possible signs or symptom of the illness for the duration incubation period. See policy for revised wording under Screening, Kitchen Workers and Educations. Attachment E Title has been updated to remove Norovirus replace it with Gastrointestinal Illness The Foodborne Illness Diagnostic Chart was updated</p>
B-14.27	Bloodborne Pathogen Exposure Control Plan	Reviewed/ No Revisions