## Infection Prevention Champions



Champions are respected individuals with strong communication skills who are knowledgeable and enthusiastic about the topic at hand. These front line personnel promote and lead healthcare-associated infection prevention initiatives by engaging and educating colleagues, solving problems, and communicating across all levels of leadership.\*

For examples on how champions lead <u>catheter-associated urinary tract infection</u>, <u>central line-associated blood stream infection</u> and <u>C. difficile infection reduction</u> efforts to improve adherence to infection prevention measures go to: www.cdc.gov/hai/prevent/tap/preventionchampions.html.

## Identify **Train** Sustain **Empower Identify Potential Champions: Continue Support: Provide Resources: Facilitate Success:** ☐ Align goals across leadership ☐ Respected ☐ Facility specific data for action ☐ Offer leadership support ☐ Effective Communicators Results of TAP Assessments levels ■ Make initiatives patient-☐ Conduct audits and provide ☐ Enthusiastic ☐ Evidence/Guidelines on which centered ☐ Committed the initiative is based feedback to personnel ☐ Clearly define goals & Courageous ☐ Contact information for ☐ Offer ongoing opportunities timelines ☐ Team Oriented to discuss concerns with support personnel ☐ Encourage involvement from ☐ Facility protocols for ☐ Open to New Ideas personnel other staff ■ Early Adopters ☐ Ensure hand off at the end promoting initiatives ☐ Assist in making evidence of an initiative actionable

<sup>\*</sup>Information about champions provided here is not mutually exclusive and does not represent an exhaustive list of all the possible champion characteristics or resources available. Furthermore, resources associated with these lists do not constitute an endorsement of these organizations or their programs by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) or the federal government, and none should be inferred. For more resources: https://www.cdc.gov/hai/prevent/tap.html