Introduction
Residents in long term care facilities are at particular risk for healthcare-associated infections. In elderly persons, diagnosis of infection can be difficult and can easily lead to inappropriate prescription and increased use of antimicrobials, with the potential for the development of multi-resistant bacteria. Antimicrobial stewardship is a pressing need in long term care and has recently become a focus of care providers in acute and post-acute settings.

Location
Courtyard by Marriott – Federal Way
31910 Gateway Center Boulevard South
Federal Way, Washington 98003

Target Audience
This workshop is designed for administrators, nurses, infection control staff, pharmacy staff, and all others in assisted living or skilled nursing with direct involvement in infection prevention and control.

Continuing Education
This workshop is approved for seven (7) continuing education units approved by DSHS for assisted living professionals and approved by the Board of Nursing Home Administrators for skilled nursing professionals.

Cancellation Policy
Cancellations received in writing on or before April 6, 2016, will be subject to a $25 per person cancellation fee. Cancellations after April 6, 2016, will receive no refund; substitutions are welcome and encouraged.

Fees
This workshop is being offered to all long term care communities and providers at $89 per person.

Highlights
Antimicrobial stewardship—a commitment to optimize antibiotic use to improve resident outcomes and save resources—is a key component of quality improvement and resident safety in both nursing homes and assisted living facilities. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), and the Washington State Department of Health recommend that assisted living facilities and nursing homes establish and maintain an antimicrobial stewardship program (ASP) to improve prescribing and reduce/prevent antibiotic resistant organisms such as Clostridium difficile. This, in turn, will result in better outcomes for residents, better health of the populations of residents, and save healthcare dollars. Stewardship requires leadership support, adequate resources, and a road map for getting started.

The purpose of this training day is to provide nursing homes and assisted living facilities with guidance, tools, consultation, and access to stewardship experts so each provider can leave with a framework and strategic plan for implementing a feasible, stewardship program in his or her respective setting that is tailored to its own unique characteristics.
Schedule of Events

8:00 a.m.  Registration
8:30 a.m.  Education Begins
   · What is Antimicrobial Stewardship and Why is it Important?
   · Existing and Proposed Regulations that Pertain to Antimicrobial Stewardship
   · CDC Core Elements of Antimicrobial Stewardship in Long Term Care and Potential Actions
10:00 a.m. Break
10:15 a.m. Education Resumes
   · Antimicrobial Stewardship: First Steps toward Building a Program
   · Roadmap and Facility Assessment
   · Measuring Success: What Data do I Need and how do I Get It?
   · Process Measures, Outcome Measures, Creating and Interpreting Antibiograms
11:45 a.m. Lunch
12:30 p.m. Education Resumes
   · The Role of Your Pharmacists in Antimicrobial Stewardship
   · Examples of Interventions Leading to Clinical Improvements
   · Implementing a Successful Antimicrobial Stewardship Program in Your Setting
   · Working with Local Public Health to Advance Antimicrobial Stewardship
2:45 p.m. Break
3:00 p.m. Education Resumes
   · Available Resources for Antimicrobial Stewardship in Long Term Care
   · Your Next Steps to Stewardship
4:15 p.m. Education Adjourns

Thank you!

This workshop is a combined effort to ensure that the long term care community has access to vital education and tools for implementing effective and successful antimicrobial stewardship programs. We appreciate the following for contributing to the success of this event.

WHCA has worked with Qualis Health, The Washington State Department of Health, and several other organizations to provide an excellent line-up of professional experts to present the materials and provide resources and information. This workshop is designed to provide you with tools, information, and resources to implement and effectively administer an antimicrobial stewardship program in your assisted living or skilled nursing center.

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Faculty

Dr. Marisa D’Angeli is a Medical Epidemiologist with the Washington State Department of Health Office of Communicable Disease Epidemiology. She received her medical degree from University of California—Davis, School of Medicine, and completed a pediatric residency at Oakland Children’s Hospital in California and Madigan Army Medical Center in Washington. After 10 years in primary care pediatrics in Seattle, she decided to focus more on prevention and population health by obtaining an MPH in Epidemiology at University of Washington in 2008 and joining the Department in 2009. She works with the Healthcare Associated Infections Program on outbreak investigations, coordinates surveillance for carbapenem-resistant Enterobacteriaceae, and leads the Combating Antibiotic Resistance Initiative for the Department. Areas of particular interest are emerging infections and preventing healthcare associated infections, including surveillance for emerging mechanisms of antimicrobial resistance and promoting antimicrobial stewardship.

Sharon I. Eloranta, MD, is the Medical Director for Quality and Safety Initiatives at Qualis Health in Seattle. She provides leadership and consultation for a variety of patient safety and quality improvement programs including Patient Centered Medical Home Initiatives and the CMS programs focusing on Patient Safety and Reducing Rehospitalizations. Dr. Eloranta is a George W. Merck Fellow at the Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI) and a member of the IHI faculty. Dr. Eloranta is an associate clinical professor at the University of Washington in the Health Services Department.

Aimee Ford, RN, MS, is a registered nurse with more than 20 years of experience providing direct care, nursing oversight, consultation, and regulatory compliance activities in hospitals, in-home care, and long term care. Ms. Ford is a Quality Improvement Consultant for Qualis Health, and she works with skilled nursing facilities throughout Washington in their efforts to improve quality.

Kelly Kauber is the Antimicrobial Stewardship Coordinator at the Washington State Department of Health Office of Communicable Disease Epidemiology. She studied Animal Science and Biology at Washington State University, and spent a few years working as a small animal veterinary technician. Her interest in zoonotic infectious disease led her to the field of public health and epidemiology; she completed her MPH degree at the University of Washington. In 2015, she joined the Department as part of the Healthcare Associated Infections Program to coordinate antimicrobial stewardship efforts in Washington State.

Patty Montgomery is a Nurse Consultant in the Healthcare Associated Infections program in the Office of Communicable Disease Epidemiology at Washington State Department of Health. In this role, she provides consultative assessments of infection prevention programs in hospitals, long term care facilities, outpatient clinics, and dialysis centers. She has worked the majority of her career at Harborview Medical Center. Currently, she is in final stages of completing her Master’s Degree in Public Health at the University of Washington where her focus has been health education and systems improvement.

Jamie Moran, RN, MSN, CIC, is a registered nurse and has more than 20 years of experience in healthcare quality improvement, safety, infection control, and informatics in a variety of settings, including community hospitals, rural and critical access hospitals, ambulatory care, and senior care. Her prior experience includes roles as Infection Prevention and Quality Improvement Program Manager and as an independent consultant. She received her master’s degree in nursing administration and leadership from Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center, and is certified in infection control (CIC) from the Certification Board of Infection Control. Jamie currently serves on the Board of Directors of the Puget Sound Chapter of the Association for Professionals in Infection Control and Epidemiology (APIC). In her current position at Qualis Health, Jamie is a Quality Improvement Consultant assisting hospitals across Washington State in the initiation and monitoring of quality improvement processes and activities. A special focus of Jamie’s work is reducing healthcare-associated infections in hospitals and other healthcare settings.

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Kathy Morsett is a consultant pharmacist with Consonus Pharmacy in Redmond, WA. She has 10 years’ experience working in the long-term care industry and is a certified geriatric pharmacist. Kathy serves as consultant pharmacist to 25 long-term care communities in western Washington and provides education and expert advice on medication use and the provision of pharmacy services. Prior to joining Consonus she worked 19 months at Flagstaff Medical Center as a clinical staff pharmacist. After receiving her Doctor of Pharmacy degree from Creighton University School of Pharmacy, Kathy completed a 1 year pharmacy practice residency with Alegent Health in Omaha, Nebraska.

Pat Preston, MS, is an infection control consultant for medical and non-medical professionals. Preston’s 42-year private practice as a consultant across the continuum of health care provides the participant in his workshops with an up-to-date, experienced, and practical approach to the subject matter. Preston has served his professional community as: President, APIC-Oregon, So. Washington; Contributor, APIC Curriculum, Volume 1; and, Committee Member on guidelines and workshops to most disciplines of the medical profession.

Sabine von Preyss-Friedman, MD, CMD obtained her medical degree from the Technical University of Munich, Germany. After an Internal Medicine Residency in Akron, Ohio, she completed her fellowship in Geriatric Medicine at the University of Washington. Currently, Dr. von Preyss-Friedman serves as an Associate Clinical Professor of Medicine in the Division of Geriatric Medicine, Section of Long-Term Care at the University of Washington. Dr. von Preyss is a certified Medical Director for Long-Term Care and an active leader and coordinator for quality improvement efforts in numerous long term care facilities where she serves as Medical Director.

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