

TAP Strategy *Partner Testimonials*

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Successes

TAP brings unit-based leaders at the hospital to the table...helping to collect Assessments so that we could identify gaps in prevention efforts.
– Louisiana Department of Health

TAP Facility Assessments allow frontline staff to become engaged in quality improvement efforts to alleviate infections in their facilities. The TAP Strategy is the best friend leadership and frontline staff have in reducing infections and enhancing staff education. It continues to be a “game changer” if widely employed!
– Health Services Advisory Group, Florida

The TAP Facility Assessment pinpointed housekeeping services as an opportunity for improvement. As a result, our team was able to bring housekeeping into our improvement processes and provide much needed education on their importance in preventing the spread of CDI.
–Chinle Comprehensive Health Care Facility, AZ

Benefits

Facilities have verbalized that TAP allows teams to focus on where the issues are. It provides a complete model for assessing individual units or hospitals and provides evidence-based practices that have a direct impact on patient care. Nursing leadership can quickly identify educational opportunities by utilizing the TAP Facility Assessment Tool.
– Health Services Advisory Group, Florida

Utilizing the TAP Strategy, we were able to engage the largest health system in the state. We worked together to create a CDI testing strategy for several target locations that has since been adapted and implemented throughout the organization.
– Health Services Advisory Group, Ohio

Our facility saw a 60% reduction in the median number of CDI cases/month in 2018 compared with 2016-2017, culminating in reaching zero CDI cases for December 2018. This is the first time our facility has observed zero CDI cases in any month since tracking began.
–Chinle Comprehensive Health Care Facility, AZ

Lessons Learned

The greatest piece of advice is to make the TAP Strategy driven by the facilities themselves. While the TAP Strategy is a quality improvement program led by our HAI/AR Program, we brand all materials as coming from the facility itself. We also recommended that TAP unit-based leaders not be IPs. This further reinforced the need for shared infection control responsibilities.
– Louisiana Department of Health

A facility champion is a must; healthcare professionals that truly get TAP will be the biggest supporters. Utilize the value-based purchasing (VBP) SIR thresholds (SIR goal) when generating TAP Reports to engage senior leadership. TAP is perfect for providing an understandable metric (CAD) for senior leadership to appreciate the number of infections above or below the VBP threshold.
– Health Services Advisory Group, Florida

We would recommend targeting specific disciplines involved in processes that affect the transmission of CDI to complete the Assessment, then review the results together as a multidisciplinary team.
–Chinle Comprehensive Health Care Facility, AZ

