



Preventing Healthcare-Associated Infections

Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC) Program

Through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

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Division of Emerging Infections and Surveillance Services
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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Recovery Act Intent and Background



- American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009
 - signed into law February 17, 2009
- Primary Purpose = Economic Stimulus and down payment on Healthcare Reform.
- Unprecedented transparency and accountability
- Requires merit-based selection of recipients
 - Deliver programmatic results
 - Achieve economic stimulus
- Prevention and Wellness Fund
 - ↑ U.S. healthcare infrastructure, ↓ healthcare costs
 - \$40 million to CDC for HAI
 - \$35.8M through ELC / \$4M through EIP
- Eligibility limited to “States”



HAI Prevention Program - ELC



- This aims to build and improve state health department workforce, training, and tools necessary to rapidly scale up to meet this new HAI work.
- Support states that are just starting on HAI prevention activities or, in states that already have some HAI prevention activities, to expand into new HAI prevention areas.
- Support the ability for states to submit data on their progress toward the HHS HAI Prevention Targets.
- Create new state-level competencies and tools that will continue even after Recovery Act funding has expired and therefore leave behind a sustainable infrastructure for reporting on long-term progress toward meeting the HHS HAI Prevention Targets.



HAI Prevention Planning Guidance – Timelines

- State HAI Plan development guidance to be provided
 - To ensure progress towards five-year national prevention targets as described in the HHS Action Plan
- January 1, 2010 – State plans due to HHS
- Meet FY09 Omnibus Bill requirement for states receiving Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant funds
 - States certify by July 1, 2009 that they will submit an HAI plan to CDC to receive Block Grant funding
 - Recovery Act funding is not contingent upon certification



Activities - ELC

This Recovery Act supplement to ELC includes three activities outlined below.

- **Activity A** is the basic staffing and coordination to draft the State HAI Prevention Plan and establish the state's capacity to develop an HAI prevention program. In general, Activity A is aimed for state health departments that have little or no current activity or expertise on HAI prevention or reporting.
- **Activity B** aims to increase facility participation in NHSN and use NHSN to establish baseline HAI data for the state.
- **Activity C** aims to support prevention collaboratives in the state to undertake prevention activities or initiatives.

States can apply for any combination of the activities listed above.

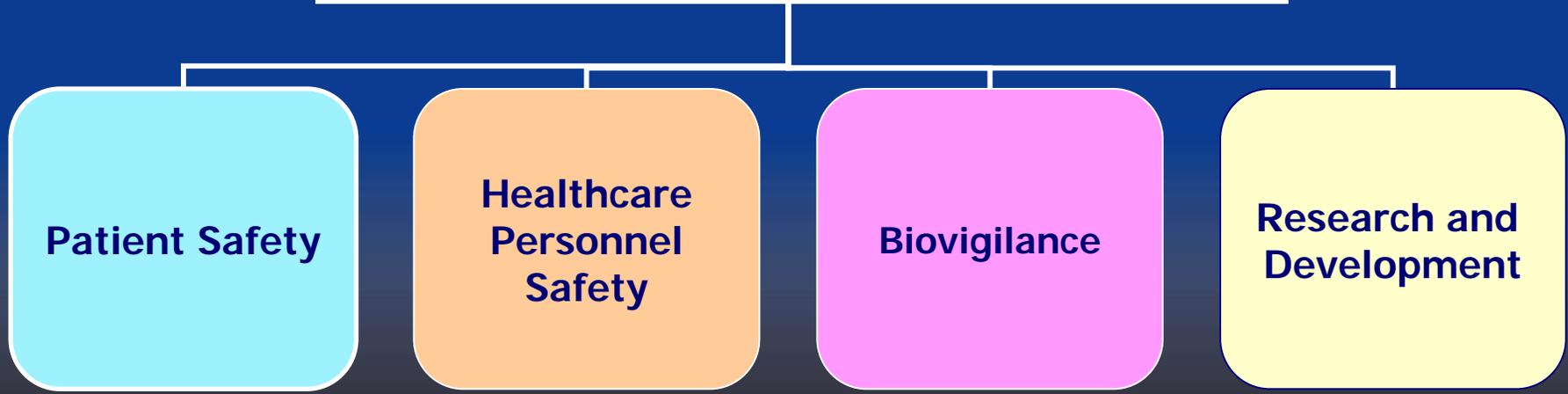


- Voluntary, secure, internet-based surveillance system
- Integrates and expands legacy patient and healthcare personnel safety surveillance systems managed by the Division of Healthcare Quality Promotion (DHQP) at CDC

<http://www.cdc.gov/NHSN>
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Components of NHSN



Patient Safety Component Modules



Device-associated

- CLABSI
- CAUTI
- DE
- CLIP
- VAP

Procedure-associated

- SSI
- PPP

Medication-associated

- AUR Pharmacy
- AUR Microbiology

MDRO/CDAD

- MDRO/CDAD Infection
- LabID
- Processes

Patient Influenza Immunization

- Method A
- Method B



Why use NHSN for HAI Reporting?

- Provides standard definitions, protocols and methodology
- Not just a reporting tool, comparative rates used for performance improvement
- Useful analysis tools are included
- CDC provides training and user support
- Cost
- Ability to share data with a Group



NHSN Data Sharing: Group

- Any entity can enroll as a group of facilities in NHSN
- Facilities join the group and confer some/all rights to share and analyze data

Support for Group-Level Users:

- NHSN State Users Group
 - Conference calls monthly
 - Web Board to share materials
- Consultation on analysis, HAI comparison metrics



Application Instructions - ELC

Due Dates



- Letter of Intent requested by May 22, 2009
 - Which Activities?
 - PI Name and Contact Info
- Application due June 26, 2009
 - Submit electronically via Grants.gov

Application Instructions (cont'd) - ELC

General Format



- Abstract
- Narrative
 - Background and Need
 - Accomplishments and Proven Capacity
 - Project Work Plan
 - Performance Measures and Evaluation Plan
- Budget



Application Instructions (cont'd) - ELC

Recovery Act-Specific Requirements to Address

Accomplishments and Proven Capacity

Quick Start = Quick Economic Impact

- Ability to quickly initiate activities
- Ability to quickly hire new staff
- Ability to initiate contracts and purchases

Application Instructions (cont'd) - ELC

Recovery Act-Specific Requirements to Address

Project Work Plan

Jobs Created/Jobs Saved = Economic Impact

List Positions of Created and/or Retained

- Created – new positions
- Retained – existing positions currently threatened (to be left vacant or discontinued) without this Recovery Act supplemental funding

Application Instructions (cont'd) - ELC

Recovery Act-Specific Requirements to Address

Performance Measures and Evaluation Plan

Detailed plan for:

- Meeting the Recovery Act and OMB tracking and reporting requirements as outlined in FOA Section VI.3.
- Tracking and reporting on performance measures outlined in FOA Appendix A

Application Instructions (cont'd) - ELC

Recovery Act-Specific Requirements to Address

Budget

- Project Term is 28 Months
 - August 30, 2009 to December 31, 2011
 - Extended ELC budget and project period
 - Non-ARRA annual ELC continuations will continue within the extended period
- Plan for separate accounting of Recovery Act vs. other ELC funding



Recovery Act Reporting Requirements

Not later than 10 days after the end of each calendar quarter, starting with the quarter in which these Recovery Act supplemental awards are issued, recipients must submit quarterly reports to CDC and HHS that will be posted for public access at www.Recovery.gov.

These quarterly reports must contain the following information:

- The total amount of Recovery Act funds under this award.
- The amount of Recovery Act funds received under this award that were obligated and expended for projects and activities.
- The amount of unobligated Recovery Act funds under this award.
- A detailed list of all projects and activities for which Recovery Act funds under this award were obligated and expended including:
 - Detailed information on any sub-awards (sub-contracts or sub-grants) made by the recipient.



Timeline Review

- Letter of Intent Deadline: May 22, 2009
- Application Deadline: June 26, 2009
- Anticipated Award Date: August 30, 2009
- State HAI Plans due to HHS: January 1, 2010
- First Quarterly Report due to Recovery.gov: October 10, 2009



Points of Contact

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Questions