

SOAP UP!

IMPLEMENTING APPROPRIATE HAND HYGIENE
TO REDUCE THE SPREAD OF INFECTION.

FHA Mission to Care Hospital Improvement Innovation Network SOAP UP Initiative “Must Do” News – Dec. 8, 2017

National Handwashing Awareness Week

The HRET HIIN celebrated and promoted National Handwashing Awareness Week from Dec. 3 - 9, 2017. Throughout the week, HRET disseminated HIIN resources, previous webinars and NCD-sponsored resources on the LISTSERV, on the national project website and on social media. Hospitals were invited to share what they were doing to raise awareness about infection prevention and hand hygiene on Twitter using [#WhyImHIIN](#) or by sending photos to HIIN@aha.org.

The World Health Organization (WHO) has identified the [My 5 Moments for Hand Hygiene](#) approach...these are critical moments when health care providers should be washing their hands to reduce transmission of infection. Here is an example of a poster that can be used as a visual reminder to staff to wash their hands.

National Handwashing Awareness Week

Your 5 moments for HAND HYGIENE

The World Health Organization says there are five key moments for hand hygiene:

1. Before patient contact
2. Before an aseptic task
3. After body fluid exposure risk
4. After patient contact
5. After contact with patient surroundings

Source: World Health Organization

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The poster features a central illustration of a patient in a hospital bed with five numbered arrows pointing to different moments: 1. Before patient contact (pointing to the patient), 2. Before aseptic task (pointing to a task above the patient), 3. After body fluid exposure risk (pointing to a spill on the floor), 4. After patient contact (pointing to the patient), and 5. After contact with patient surroundings (pointing to the bed area).

To learn more about hand hygiene, visit www.hret-hiin.org. Join the ongoing conversation [#handhygiene](#) [#WhyImHIIN](#).

World Health Organization (WHO) Guidelines

The WHO *Guidelines on Hand Hygiene in Health Care* provides a thorough review of evidence and scientific data on hand hygiene practices in health care and specific recommendations and practical tools for practice at the bedside. [Full version](#) | [Summary](#)

Sharing Best Practices and Success Stories

Over the past couple of months, FHA has circulated a weekly communication with tools, resources, education and more to assist Mission to Care HIIN hospitals in their efforts to raise awareness of proper handwashing and hand hygiene.

SOAP UP “Must Do” News archives:

- [Tips on Promoting and Implementing SOAP UP](#) (Oct. 12, 2017)
- [Resources to Promote Hand Hygiene to Reduce the Spread of Infection](#) (Oct. 26, 2017)
- [Top 10 Checklist – Tools You Can Use – and Podcasts](#) (Nov. 3, 2017)
- [Hand Hygiene: Track Quietly and Trend Loudly!](#) (Nov. 9, 2017)
- [SOAP UP | Comprehensive Infection Prevention Strategy](#) (Nov. 17, 2017)
- [SOAP UP Must Do News](#) (Nov. 22, 2017)
- [Drive Drift Down!](#) (Dec. 1, 2017)

Customizable SOAP UP Campaign Tools:

- **Posters** [\[Download\]](#)
- **Badge Cards** [\[Download\]](#)
- **E-mail Banner** [\[Download\]](#)
- **Top 10 Checklist** [\[Download\]](#)

Please share your best practices and success stories with us! Have you established an intervention to improve hand hygiene practices? Is your hospital achieving higher compliance rates? Has improving hand hygiene compliance in your organization resulted in reducing healthcare-associated infections? Email Cheryl Love, FHA director of quality and patient safety, at cheryll@fha.org to be showcased in an upcoming SOAP UP “Must Do” News!

Florida UP Campaign

FHA Mission to Care kicked off the Florida UP Campaign with the SOAP UP Initiative, which will run Oct. 1 through Dec. 31, 2017. Hospitals will be provided with access to educational events, podcasts, innovative ideas and best practices and various tools and resources including posters, banners, templates and social media language to use for promoting the UP Campaign components across your organizations. In addition, there are many tools available for hospitals to utilize on the [UP Campaign Website](#).



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