

## APIC Long Term Care Meeting – 03/04/10

Location: St. Luke's South Shore

Recent State Surveys – citations:

- No timely report to Health Dept of outbreaks within 48 hrs.(4 hours late) (or well date).
- Insufficient signs and symptoms recorded on line listing.
- Monthly Infections – did not always calculate rate of Infection for each month.
- Requested list of residents admitted on ABT.
- Bowel & Bladder – only one box missing on B/B form.
- Updates to MDS and Care plan.
- Signing of MDS and RAPs completed prior to assessment completion date.
- Accuracy and charting issues . . . for example, very private person coded 0/0 used pads found in her wastebasket so she was classified 0/3 with no reassessment. Paper work not done.
- Failure to follow care plan.
- Self Reports – Class B could be \$5000/day find for doing the right thing!
- Staff terminated :
  - Not following care plan and resident fell off toilet because not attended.
  - Helped someone up off the floor with leg pain and had a broken hip.
- IDR (ed) a complaint – Feds (okay) and State (not reversed).
- Eye Infections – due to dry eyes and treated with saline gtt's, then stopped due to cost and had an increase in eye infections. Eye infections reduced from 6 to 0. Cited because correction not done soon enough.
- Change of Condition (IJ level) – CNA reported to nurse and nurse said she didn't report it.
- Assessments – form changed from a more simple to detailed that required a narrative entry; now not getting them done.
- Med Pass – insulin not always charted and not getting meds soon enough.
- Pharmacy – problems with narcotic hard copies. Note: Senator Kohl is working on this; contact him with concerns via his website.

Other Topics:

- Norovirus Outbreak – 15 staff out of 25 ill at an Adult Day Care.
- Laboratory Findings – RSV is “huge” and also seeing human metapneumovirus (need to use Contact Precautions). Some are seeing an increase in Pneumonia.
- Glucose Meters:
  - If individual, keep in original boxes.
  - Can use a sani wipe that kills blood borne organisms (2-3 minute contact time).
  - One facility uses an egg timer on each cart for disinfectant time.
- Pharmacy Issues:
  - Inhalers – wipe off mouthpieces of inhalers as some can be very soiled (use tissue or alcohol wipe).
  - Liquid Meds:
    - Keep bottle clean (there have been citations).
    - Many places put them in a plastic bag and change bags as needed.
    - All meds need to be separated by route of administration/eye, ear, etc.

- Article – good article on data for nursing homes regarding numbers of infection (A JIC Dec. '09; National HI Care Safety Network; HHSN-Data Summary for 2000-2008).
- Trivalent Vaccine this year will include H1N1 (see Wis. Report HI. Web site).
- Committees – all members encouraged to join a committee—sign up sheet will be coming around during the business meeting.

Handouts:

- Hydration (Boyer Executive Development Center)
  - Hydration Checklist (Sodexo)
  - Standards of Care Change in Mass Casualty Events
  - Adjusting Standard of Care in Disasters
- Note: J. Savard will bring extra copies of the last 2 handouts at the next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

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