



Los Angeles County Department of Public Health
Acute Communicable Disease Control Program – Healthcare Outreach Unit

Beyond the Basics of Infection Prevention for Acute Care Facilities
2 Day Mini Course

Course Description:

This course is an educational program held by the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health (LACDPH). The program is for Infection Preventionists (IPs) and associated staff who work in acute health care settings, including general acute care hospitals, long-term acute care hospitals, dialysis centers and ambulatory surgery centers. The course is adapted from California Department of Public Health's "Basics of Infection Prevention" course and intended for beginning and intermediate IPs. It is free to attend and those who attend both days are eligible for nursing CEUs (approximately 10).

Course Objectives:

- Discuss the most important care practices for preventing Multiple Drug Resistant infections (MDRO), infections due to new emerging pathogens and device-related infections.
- Discuss epidemiology, microbiology, and surveillance as it pertains to infection prevention personnel.
- Discuss how to build and sustain an infection prevention and control program, especially through competency-based training and audit and feedback.
- Discuss methodology for developing an antimicrobial stewardship program with the collaboration of all stakeholders.

Suggested Audience:

- Beginning and Intermediate infection prevention professionals.
- Staff with infection prevention responsibilities.
- Clinical staff with an interest in infection prevention.
- Quality improvement staff, administrators, or managers, chairpersons of Infection Prevention Committees, interested in learning more about infection prevention strategies.

Course Information:

November 4-5, 2019 from 8am to 4:30pm
The California Endowment
1000 N. Alameda St
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Registration will open in **Fall 2019** and all course materials will be available through our website: <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/acd/IP2Daycourse.htm>

Please note that this course is meant for IPs in acute care settings. In Spring 2019 we will be holding another course targeted toward IPs in skilled nursing facilities. If you have any questions, please email Stacy Hartmann at SHartmann@ph.lacounty.gov.