

North Dakota Hospital Association Innovate-ND

HRET Hospital Improvement Innovation Network

March 29, 2018

EDUCATIONAL EVENTS

HRET HIIN

HRET HIIN QI Fellowship Office Hours Call #4
4/04/18 | 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. CT

HRET HIIN Readmissions Reducing Sepsis Readmissions Fishbowl Series #1
04/10/18 | 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. CT

Information, registration links and recording links for **all** HRET HIIN upcoming and past virtual events can be found under the "Events" tab on www.hret-hiin.org.

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SAVE THE DATE—UP Campaign Coaching Calls

Soap UP: Hand Hygiene | Barb DeBaun
04/12/18 | 11:30 a.m. CT

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Partner Educational Events

Great Plains QIN A Statewide Pain Management Guidance Document: A Provider and Community Resource
04/10/18 | 12:15-1:00 p.m. CT
Register [here](#).

New England QIN Enhancing Transitions Through a Collaborative Approach
04/11/18 | 10:00-11:00 a.m. CT
Register [here](#).

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Remember to report your HIIN data in CDS every month!

Deadline	Reporting Period
3/30/2018	Performance data for February 2018 discharges

QUALITY MILESTONES RECOGNITION

<p>COPPER Milestone: Towner County Medical Center – Cando Kenmare Community Hospital</p>	<p>COPPER, BRONZE & SILVER Milestone: Cavalier County Memorial Hospital – Langdon CHI St. Alexius – Devils Lake CHI Garrison Community Hospital CHI Mercy Health – Valley City First Care Health Center – Park River Northwood Deaconess Health Center Pembina County Medical Center – Cavalier Presentation Medical Center – Rolla Sakakawea Medical Center – Hazen Sanford Hillsboro Medical Center CHI St. Alexius Health – Devils Lake St. Andrew’s Health Center – Bottineau Wishek Community Hospital</p>
<p>COPPER & BRONZE Milestone: Ashley Medical Center Carrington Health Center CHI Community Memorial Hospital – Turtle Lake Cooperstown Medical Center Heart of America Medical Center – Rugby Jacobson Memorial Hospital – Elgin Linton Hospital Mountrail County Medical Center – Stanley Nelson County Health System – McVille Sanford Mayville Medical Center Southwest Healthcare Services – Bowman St. Aloisius Medical Center – Harvey St. Luke’s Hospital – Crosby</p>	<p>COPPER, BRONZE, SILVER & GOLD Milestone: McKenzie County Healthcare System – Watford City</p>

ND Department of Human Services

Day For Prevention: Understand. Engage. Act.!

04/11/18 | Bismarck, ND
Register [here](#).

**Medication Safety LAN
A Patient-Centered Approach to Safely Managing Diabetes**

04/11/18 | 2:00–3:30 p.m. CT
Register [here](#).

**Great Plains QIN
Community Antibiotic Stewardship Hot Topic: Antibigrams**

04/24/18 | 12:15–1:00 p.m. CT
Register [here](#).

**Great Plains QIN
TeamSTEPPS 2.0 Essentials | Training for Hospital Staff**

04/26/18 | 2:00-4:00 p.m. CT
Register [here](#).

**National Coordinating Center
Integrating Alcohol and Depression Screenings into Whole-Person Care**

05/19/18 | 2:00–3:30 PM CT
Register [here](#).

**APIC 2018
45th Annual Conference**

06/13/18-06/15/18 | Minneapolis, MN

[Registration](#) is now open! Registering early saves you \$100 off the full conference registration rate. Save even more by taking advantage of the group discount to save an additional \$200 just by registering four or more attendees from your institution. [Register now!](#)

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SAVE THE DATE

Quality Health Associates of North Dakota 2018 Quality Forum

08/23/18 | Bismarck, ND

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Tioga Medical Center
Unity Medical Center - Grafton

COPPER, BRONZE, SILVER, GOLD & PLATINUM Milestone:



Congratulations to Cavalier County Memorial Hospital and CHI St. Alexius, Garrison, on reaching the silver milestone!

FEATURED RESOURCES

Hypoglycemia Process Improvement Discovery Tool

Try this [user-friendly tool](#) to drill down and discover why hypoglycemic events are occurring in your hospital.

ADVERSE DRUG EVENTS

CONNECT. LEARN. ADVANCE YOUR CAREER.

OPIOID CRISIS SYMPOSIUM:

STRATEGIES AND TACTICS TO COMBAT AN EPIDEMIC

APRIL 25-26, 2018 • BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

LEARN MORE OR REGISTER AT WWW.MODERNHEALTHCARE.COM/CCOPIOIDS

ER Reduces Opioid Use by More Than Half With Dry Needles, Laughing Gas

One of the places many people are first prescribed opioids is a hospital emergency room. But in one of the busiest ERs in the U.S., doctors are relying less than they used to on oxycodone, Percocet, Vicodin and other opioids to ease patients' pain. In an unusual program designed to help stem the opioid epidemic, the emergency department at St. Joseph's University Medical Center in Paterson, N.J., has been exploring alternative painkillers and methods. That strategy has led to a 58 percent drop in the ER's opioid prescriptions in the program's first year. Click [here](#) to read more.

Ten ERs Sharply Reduced Opioid Use and Still Eased Pain

A collaborative project which involved ten hospitals in Colorado dramatically reduced opioid prescriptions in their emergency departments. The Colorado Opioid Safety Collaborative, initiated by the Colorado Hospital Association, launched a multidisciplinary approach to the management of opioids through the use of alternatives and achieved an overall decrease amounting to 35,000 fewer opioid doses than were prescribed during the same period in 2016. Click [here](#) to read more.

HOSPITAL-ACQUIRED INFECTIONS

NATIONAL PATIENT SAFETY FOUNDATION WEBCASTS

The National Patient Safety Foundation (NPSF) now offers complimentary access to past NPSF webcasts. Check back often to see what is available. [Visit the NPSF Webcast Archive](#) website and follow the instructions on your screen.



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CARE CONSULTATION



Care Consultation is an important program for professionals who are working with individuals with memory loss. The program is designed to provide disease education, support, and care planning for all aspects of memory loss. As a professional who receives care consultation, you will receive individualized assistance to support your clients, their family care partners and other members of your staff in effectively managing memory loss symptoms and issues.



This project is supported by funding through the North Dakota Department of Human Services, Aging Services Division.

alz.org 24/7 Helpline: 1.800.272.3900

RESOURCES

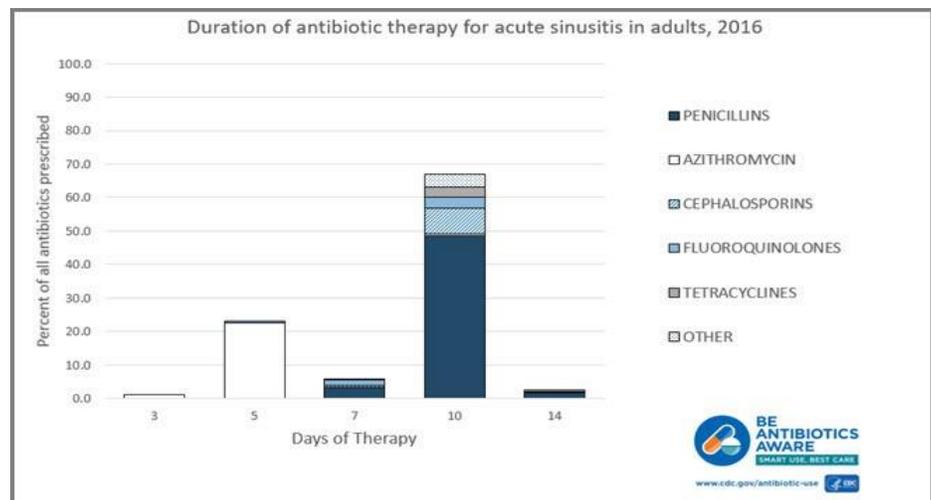
LISTSERV®

[Sign up](#) and help meet our goal of approximately 1,000 subscribers per LISTSERV® topic. These platforms enable peer-sharing and are used to promote virtual events and highlight innovative topic-specific strategies to reduce harm. New subscribers are added on the first day of each week.

On the Web

New Study: More Than 70% of Antibiotic Prescriptions for Sinus Infections Exceed Recommended Duration

A new study in The Journal of the American Medical Association: Internal Medicine reports that primary care physicians prescribe longer durations of antibiotics for sinus infections than clinical practice guidelines recommend. In addition, more than 20% of antibiotic prescriptions for sinus infections were for 5 days of azithromycin, even though guidelines recommend against prescribing azithromycin because of high rates of existing resistance to this drug and others in its class. Click [here](#) to read more.



New CDC Antibiotic Stewardship Modules: 8 Hours of Free CME

The CDC recently announced new training on Antibiotic Stewardship. There will be 4 modules released throughout 2018 providing 8 units of free CME. These modules target prescribers (physicians, NPs, and PAs), but are also open to pharmacists, nurses, Certified Health Educators, and Public Health Practitioners with an MPH. And it fulfills PSPA_23 and PSPS_24 MIPS improvement activities!

Announce this in your medical staff newsletters and at meetings. Success will be accelerated if several prescribers attend! Click [here](#) to register.

New Instruction Guidance on NHSN Re-Consent Process

The National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) team has published new instructional guidance on its [website](#) to help users complete the updated NHSN Agreement to Participate and Consent (referred to here as Consent). On the website, a five-minute video discusses the new Consent purposes and shows the simple process for electronically accepting the Consent. A step-by-step [guidance document](#) is also available on the website. This document provides screenshots for Facility Administrators and Primary Contacts of the re-consent process in the NHSN application.

Participating acute care facilities will need to re-consent for **two components: Patient Safety (PS) and Healthcare Personnel (HCP) Safety**. They are indicated below in the red box.

The HRET HIIN website is a one-stop-shop for all HRET HIIN information and events! Check it out at www.hret-hiin.org.

Social Media

Follow the HRET HIIN on Twitter [@HRETtweets](https://twitter.com/HRETtweets)! Here they'll be promoting virtual events, highlighting recruitment numbers, state partners and hospitals! Retweet, reply or like their posts and share your HIIN journey using #WhyImHIIN.

You can also join the HRET-HIIN on Facebook and LinkedIn. Follow the instructions for joining by clicking on the correlating icon on the right-hand side of the page when you log onto the HRET HIIN website (www.hret-hiin.org)

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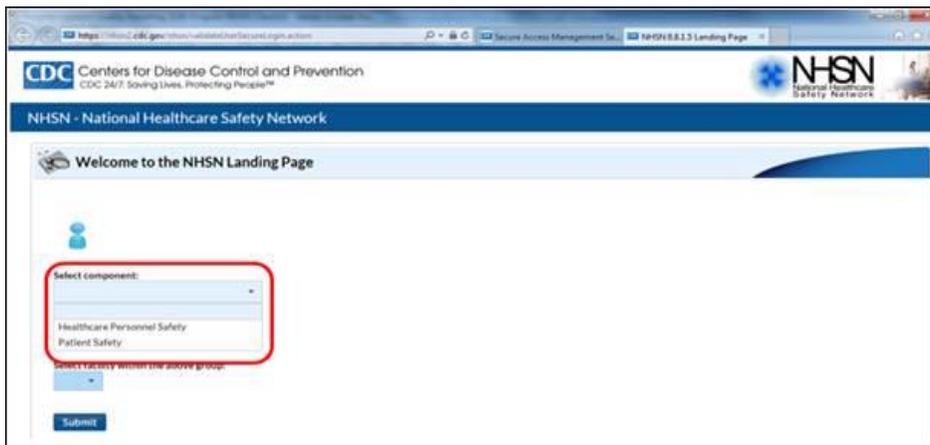
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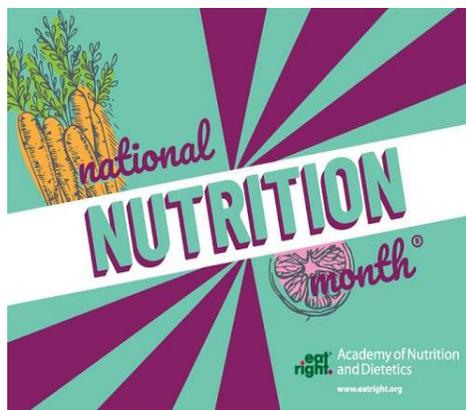


PLEASE NOTE: Once you have successfully consented to **one** component, you will need to return to the **NHSN Landing Page** to repeat the steps and consent to the **second** component.

A link to the video and the guidance document are found on the [FAQs About NHSN's Agreement to Participate and Consent webpage](#). As a reminder, the deadline for accepting the updated Consent is **April 14, 2018**, for all components. If you have any questions about the re-consent process, please email the NHSN Help Desk at nhsn@cdc.gov.

MISCELLANEOUS

National Nutrition Month: Go Further with Food



March is National Nutrition Month®, sponsored by the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics. As part of National Nutrition Month® 2018, *Go Further with Food*, the Academy's has launched relevant articles, recipes, videos and educational resources to spread the message of good nutrition and the importance of an overall healthy lifestyle for people of all ages, genders and backgrounds. We encourage you to use the

[National Nutrition Month® Celebration Toolkit](#) and these [nutrition tip sheets](#) (available in both English and Spanish) within your hospital to promote healthy eating habits and a decreased prevalence of patient malnutrition.

Additionally malnutrition resources available on the HRET HIIN [website](#), include the [Malnutrition Change Package](#), the [Date of Last Malnutrition Event Checklist Poster](#), the [Alliance Nutrition Care Model and Toolkit](#) and the [ASPEN Nutrition Care Algorithm](#).

Tales from the Field: Ensuring Proper Patient Identification at a Small Rural Hospital

Pauls Valley General Hospital is a 64-bed rural hospital in Pauls Valley, OK, that has worked to progress their patient safety practices by

improving their patient identification procedures. Karen Gainey, pharmacy, quality, and risk manager at Pauls Valley General Hospital, explains below how her team has intervened to advance a culture of safety at their facility:

"We are a small town rural hospital, and in our town everyone knows each other and most have friends or family who work at our hospital. This makes normal procedures, like patient identification, somewhat lax. There were three unique events that occurred when hospital personnel were replaced with new employees from outside of our community who did not know the physicians or the patients. The patients, their lab work, and/or physicians' orders were not being correctly identified. At first we thought this was the fault of the personnel being new, but in these cases it turned out that protocols were lacking to address proper patient identification. Our registration team was given the mandate to apply armbands to all patients at the time of registration instead of just handing the patient his or her registration packet. The patient now has to verify that the name and birthdate on the armband is correct before it is placed. Prior to any procedure being performed, staff in all departments must confirm the patient's identity by checking the armband and the patient's registration packet, even if the patient is the provider's relative. If these procedures are followed correctly and consistently, our safety improves."

If you have a tale from the field, please send it to [Jordan Steiger](#) so others can learn from hospitals' hard work.