

**California Department of Public Health
Healthcare-Associated Infections Advisory Committee**

**Environmental Cleaning In Healthcare Subcommittee
Monday, June 6, 2016 11:00 – 12:00
Teleconference**

HAI-AC Members Present

Carole Moss (Chair), Alicia Cole, Deborah Wiechman, Jeff Silvers, Karen Anderson

Standards Research Advisor(s)

Andrew Amenta, BioMedical Engineering, Biomedical Engineering, Council on Infection Control

Members of the Public

None

California Department of Public Health

Jorge Palacios

Agenda Item/ Discussion

Call to Order

C. Moss called the meeting to order at 10:05 am

Welcome, Introductions and Roll Call

Chair, C. Moss, welcomed all subcommittee members. There were no members of the public in attendance.

Approval of the May 9, 2016 Summary Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve summary meeting minutes including two changes: change *survivors* to *surveyors*, and delete the last sentence on the first paragraph under the Action Item(s).

- Motion: K. Anderson
- Second: D. Wiechman

Mission

The Chair, Carole, reviewed the mission and process of this subcommittee.

“The mission of the Environmental Cleaning in Healthcare Subcommittee is to protect the public from healthcare-associated infections by establishing best practices in the area of environmental cleaning in California healthcare facilities.”

Update to the HAI-Advisory Committee

The Subcommittee discussed CDC best practices for environmental cleaning and monitoring prevention of HAIs. Subcommittee members agreed to include air treatment and water filtration these issues under Phase 2 of their current work. Subcommittee members will review information and empirical research findings on these two new areas and bring their recommendations to future subcommittee meetings.

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Discussion and Review

The Chair shared the plan for this meeting.

Collaboration begins. Will develop recommendations to present to the HAI Advisory Committee.

Phase 1 – Develop minimum standard requirements and recommendations for California acute care healthcare facilities for environmental cleaning, monitoring, and disinfecting the facility patient care rooms, devices, equipment, and linens. A toolkit will be developed.

The subcommittee previously discussed developing a three-tier approach to environmental cleaning recommendations. At this meeting, members agreed that it would be best if it was a two-tier approach, basic and advanced. It was again clarified that recommendations that result from this subcommittee are not intended for L&C. The objective is to provide guidance to facilities on how to set up a process to clean rooms properly, and to help validate that the correct cleaning process is being performed and results in cleanliness.

Phase 2 – Discussed and determined that CDC recommendations for air treatment and water filtration will be added to the work of the subcommittee in Phase 2 upon completion of recommendations for Phase 1.

The Subcommittee jointly walked through the “Options for Evaluating Environmental Cleaning” published by the CDC Division of Healthcare Quality Promotion, National Center for Emerging and Zoonotic Infectious Diseases.

Action Items

All subcommittee members committed to reviewing the document, finding gaps that need to be included for Phase 1, and be ready to continue with the development of recommendations on June 20.

Recommended subcommittee members review the following [Environmental Cleaning webpage](http://www.cdph.ca.gov/programs/hai/Pages/EnvironmentalCleaning2016.aspx) and provide comments (<http://www.cdph.ca.gov/programs/hai/Pages/EnvironmentalCleaning2016.aspx>)

Future Subcommittee Meetings (meetings will be held at 11am)

July 25. August 1 and 15. September 5 and 19. October 3 and 17. November 7 and 21. December 5 and 19

Future HAI Advisory Committee Meetings

The HAI-AC meets quarterly. Future Advisory Committee meetings will be held:

August 11 – Sacramento - November 10 – Oakland

Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 11:00a.m.