

Protect All Patients: A Paradigm Shift

Focusing on the Impact the Nose Has on Infections

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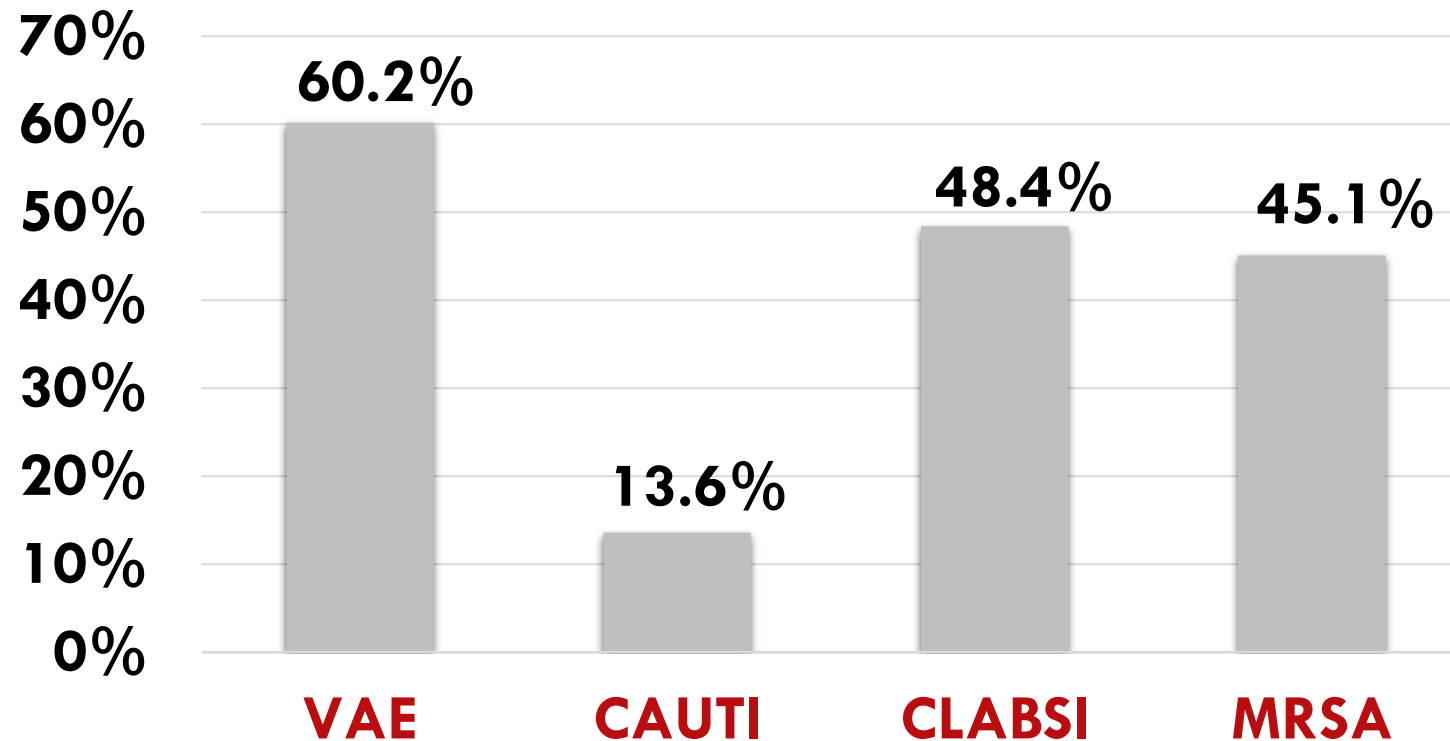
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Learning Objectives

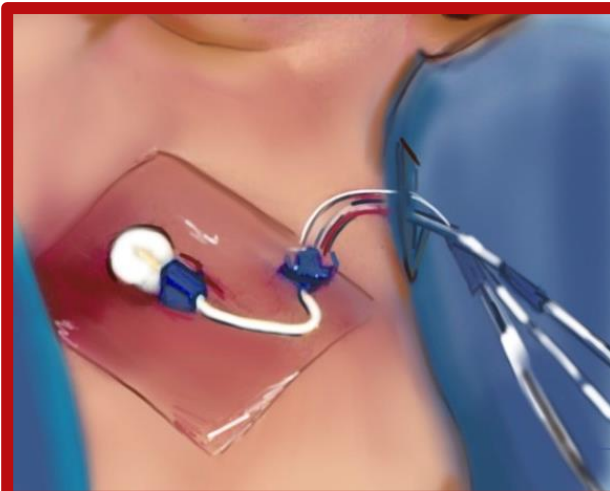
1. Discuss the role of the nose on colonization pressure, transmission, and infection.
2. Review past, current, and emerging strategies to combat HAIs.
3. Describe how universal nasal decolonization strategies have reduced HAIs.
4. Explore the steps to implement an active source control program in today's environment.

Urgent Need to Respond to Increased HAIs

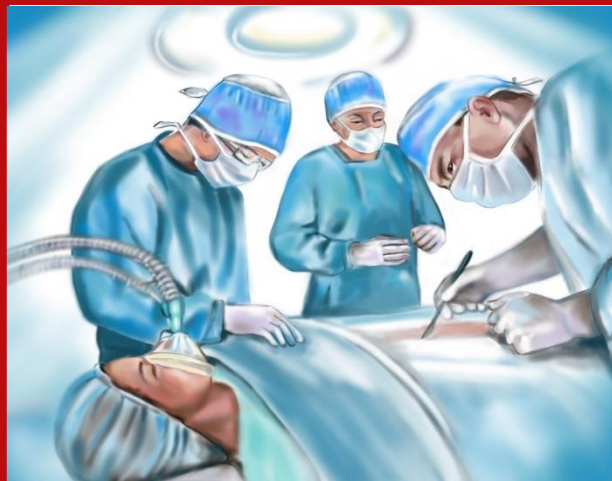
Increase in rate comparing Q3 2021 to Q3 2019 as reported to the NHSN



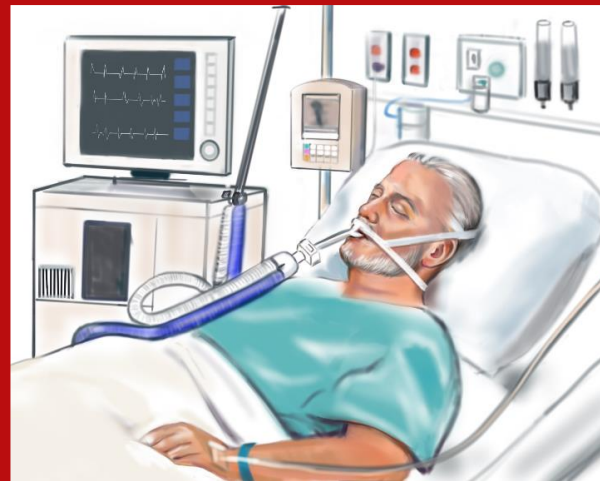
Staph aureus #1 HAI Cause for:



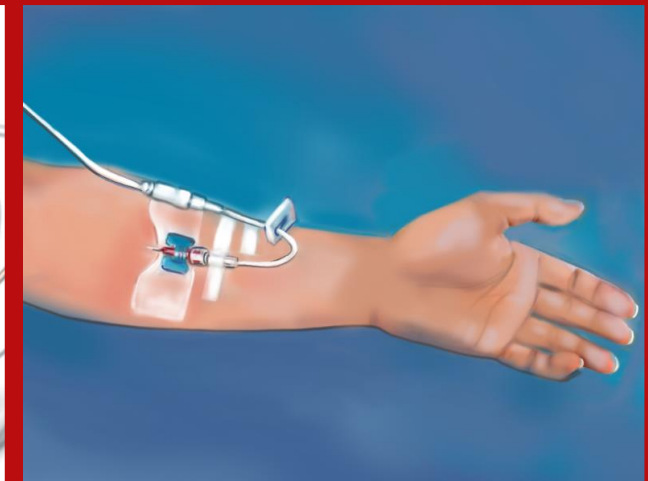
CLABSI



SSI



PVAP



PVC-BSI

¹ Weiner-Lastinger L, et al. (2020). *ICHE*, 41:1-18.

² Ripa, *Antimicrob Agents Chemother* 2018 11 24;62(11).

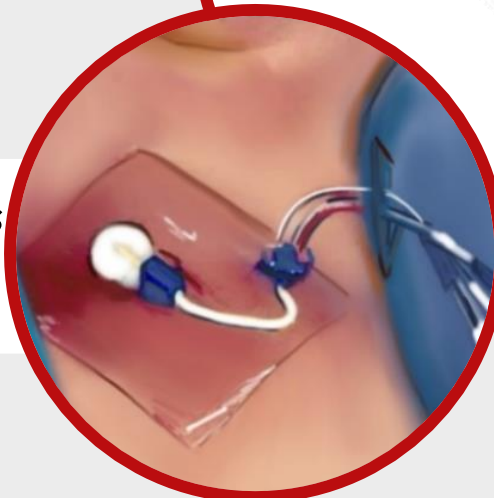
³ Helm R. *Journal of Infusion Nursing*. May/June 2015: Vol 38, 3:190-203.

Role of *Staph aureus* in HAI

Staph aureus
SSI



Staph aureus
BSI



**Nasal colonization is
the main risk factor for
infection^{1,2}**

Staph aureus
Pneumonia



**80% of *Staph aureus* BSI^{1,2} and SSI³ and
94% of *Staph aureus* nasal and bronchial
strains^{4,5}**

**can be traced to the patient's
own nasal flora.**

¹ Von Eiff, NEJM, Vol. 344, No.1 Jan 4, 2001

² Wertheim HF, Lancet 2004; 364: 703–05

³ Kalmeijer, ICHE 2000;21:319-323

⁴ Rubinstein E, et al . Clin Infect Dis. 2008;46(Suppl 5):S378–85.

⁵ Corne P, et al. J Clin Microbiol. 2005;43(7):3491-3493.

Staph aureus Carriage Prevalence & the Role of the Nose



The main reservoir for *S. aureus* is the nasal vestibule¹

- **30%** of the population are *S. aureus* nasal carriers²
~ 25% MSSA, ~ 4 - 5% MRSA³
- **Up to 13%** of ICU admits are MRSA nasal carriers⁴
- **~ 8% rate** of MRSA carriage acquisition in the ICU⁵
- **When the nose is decolonized**, there is a significant reduction in the number of *S. aureus* recovered from the skin⁶

¹ Cell Host Microbe. 2013 Dec 11; 14(6): 631–640.

² Wertheim HF, Lancet 2005; 5: 751–762

³ Kepler et al, CID 2004 Sep; 39(6):776–782

⁴ Honda H, ICHE 2010 Jun; 31(6): 584–591

⁵ Mermel LA et al. J Clin Microbiol 2011;49:1119

⁶ Bacteriol Rev, 1963 Mar; 27(1): 56–71.

Colonization Pressure

**Transmission and Acquisition Increase
Colonization Pressure**

**High
Colonization
Pressure**



Leads to

**Higher
Risk of
Infection**

Microorganisms of the Nasal Vestibule

Gram (+)

Staphylococcus aureus

Coagulase-negative staphylococci

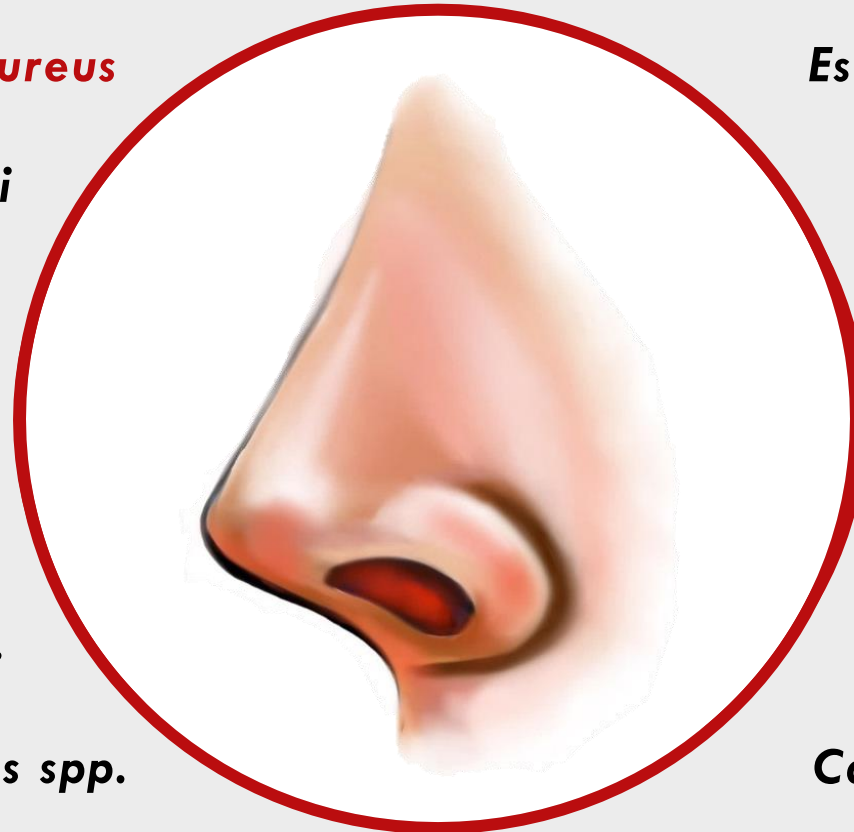
Corynebacterium spp.

Propionibacterium spp.

Streptococcus spp.

Lactobacillus spp.

Enterococcus spp.



Gram (-)

Escherichia coli

Klebsiella spp

Enterobacter spp

Pseudomonas aeruginosa

Proteus spp

Yeast

Candida auris

Antiseptics are effective against each of these pathogens

In Vitro Studies

Alcohol Nasal Antiseptic Pathogen Kill Test

GRAM-POSITIVE STAIN MICROORGANISMS

Challenge Microorganism	Exposure Time in Seconds	Percent Reduction
<i>Enterococcus faecalis</i> ¹	15	99.99
<i>Mycobacterium smegmatis</i> ²	60	99.99
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> MRSA ²	60	99.99
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> MSSA ²	15	99.99
<i>Staphylococcus epidermidis</i> ¹	30	99.99
<i>Streptococcus pneumoniae</i> ²	60	99.99
<i>Streptococcus pyogenes</i> ²	60	99.99
<i>Candida albicans</i> ¹	15	99.99
<i>Candida auris</i> ¹	60	99.99

GRAM-NEGATIVE STAIN MICROORGANISMS

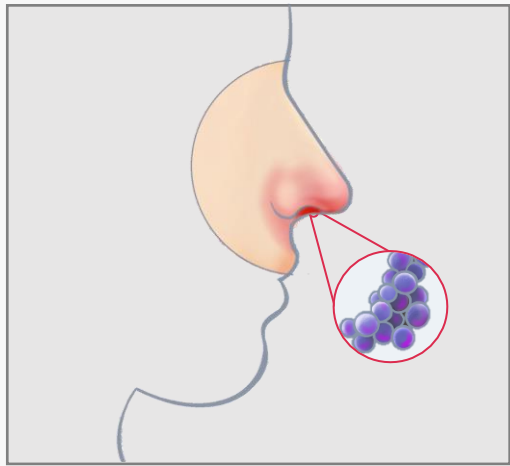
Challenge Microorganism	Exposure Time in Seconds	Percent Reduction
<i>Acinetobacter baumannii</i> ¹	15	99.99
<i>Enterobacter aerogenes</i> ¹	30	99.99
<i>Escherichia coli</i> ¹	15	99.99
<i>Haemophilus influenzae</i> ²	60	99.99
<i>Klebsiella aerogenes</i> ¹	30	99.99
<i>Klebsiella pneumoniae</i> ¹	30	99.99
<i>Proteus mirabilis</i> ¹	30	99.99
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> ¹	15	99.99

¹ GLTC/Nozin® Testing: Microbiological Consultants, Inc., Huntington, WV
² GLTC/Nozin® Testing: BioScience Laboratories, Inc., Bozeman, MT

This list is not exhaustive and does not include many others of the approximate 1,200 bacterial and fungal human pathogens known, to be highly susceptible to killing by alcohol nasal antiseptic is an OTC topical drug. No claim is made that it has an effect on any specific disease. This message is intended for healthcare professionals. ©2022 Global Life Technologies Corp. All rights reserved.

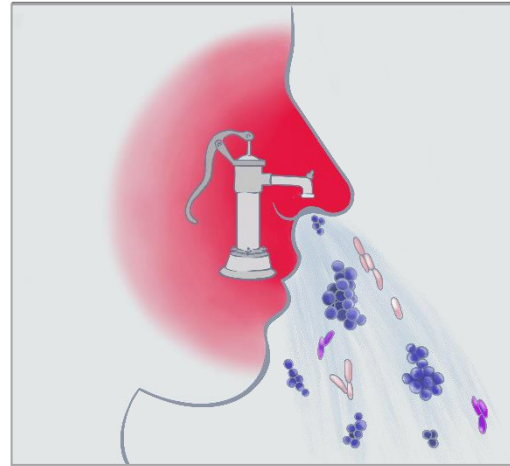
The Patient's *Staph aureus* Chain of Infection

THE MAIN RESERVOIR



Nasal Colonization

PORTAL OF EXIT



The Nose

TRANSMISSION

Endogenous Source

- Self-Inoculation

Exogenous Source

- Direct Contact
Hands
- Indirect Contact
Environment
- Respiratory
Short Range



PATIENT PORTAL OF ENTRY

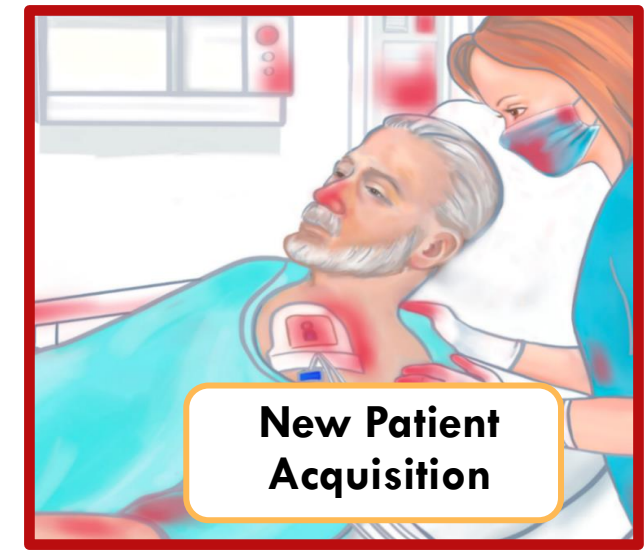
- Mucous membranes
- Non-intact skin
- Devices

Examples

- Ports
- Drains
- Tubings
- Hubbs
- Dressings
- Tracheotomy Site
- Surgical Incision
- Wounds
- Pressure Sores

Transmission to Other Patients - New Acquisition

- **Transmission** responsible for 60% of MRSA infections in the ICU and 40% in non-ICU Units¹
- **15 - 25%** of carriers develop MRSA infection during hospitalization or within 18 months²

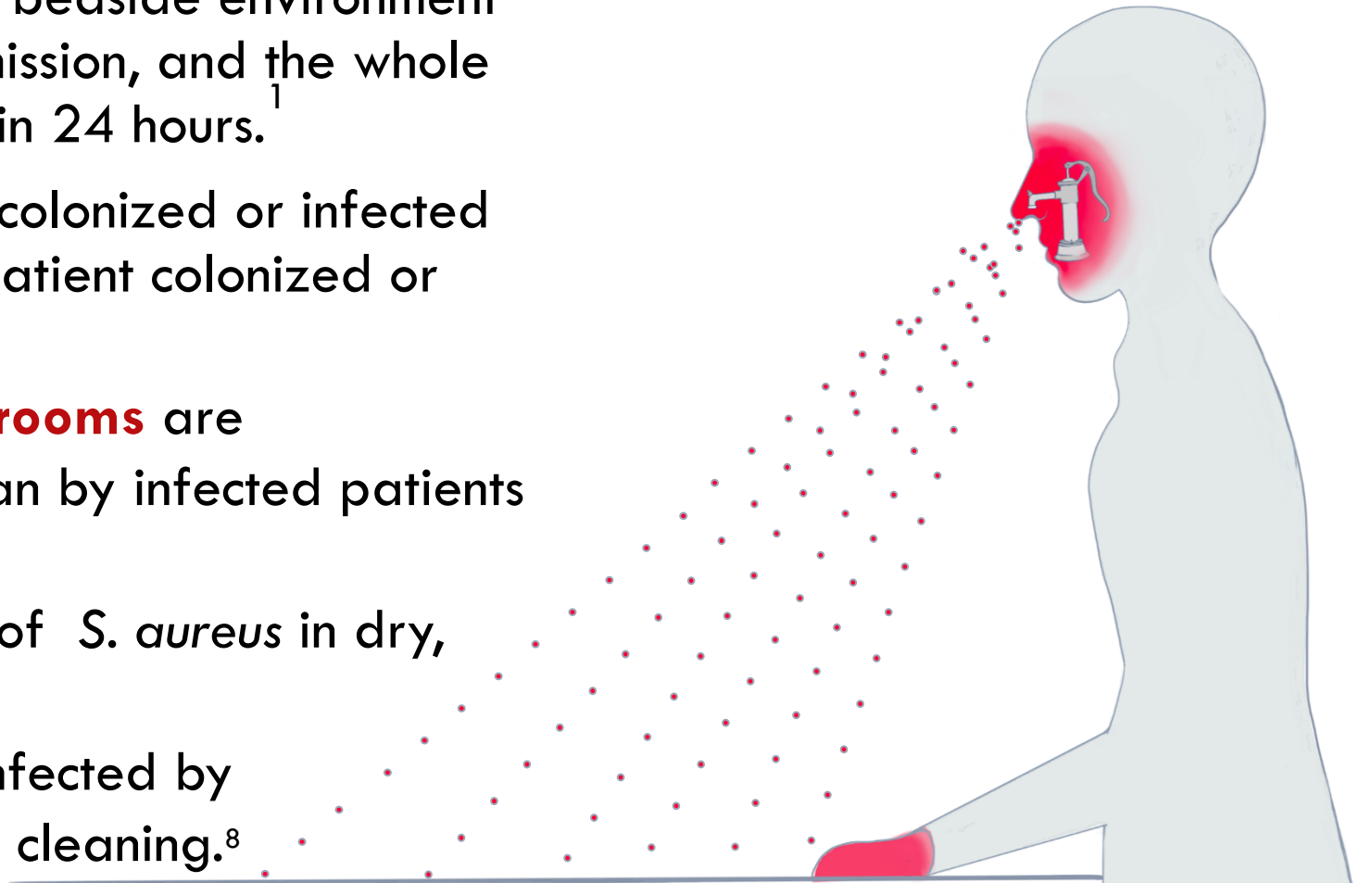


¹Jain et al, N Engl J Med 2011; 364:1419-1430

² Huang SS et al. PloS ONE. 2011;6(9):e24340

Transmission – Environment to New Patient Acquisition

- **Within a few hours**, the patient's bedside environment becomes contaminated after admission, and the whole room becomes contaminated within 24 hours.¹
- **39%** increased risk of becoming colonized or infected with prior room occupancy of a patient colonized or infected with MRSA.^{2,3,4,5}
- **Colonized MRSA/VRE patients' rooms** are contaminated more frequently than by infected patients (p=.033).⁶
- **7 days to 5 years** survival times of *S. aureus* in dry, inanimate surfaces⁷
- **~68% of surfaces** are NOT disinfected by routine daily cleaning or terminal cleaning.⁸



¹ Istenes N, AJIC. 2013 Sep;41(9):793-8.

² Mitchell BG, J Hosp Infect. 2015 Nov;91(3):211-7.

³ Dancer S. Clin Microbiol Rev. 2014; 27: 665-690

⁴ Carling PC. Infect Dis Clin North Am. 2016 Sep;30(3):639-60.

⁵ Carling P. AJIC. 2013; 14: S20-S25

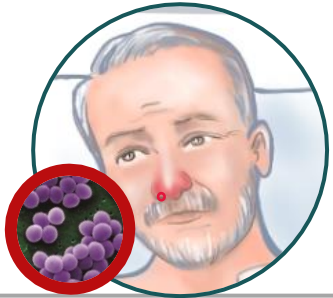
⁶ ICHE 2014;35(7):872-875

⁷ Suleyman, G., et al.. Curr Infect Dis Rep 20, 12 (2018).

⁸ Carling et al European Society of Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases, Milan, Italy, May 2011

History of *S. aureus* and Nasal Colonization Risk Mitigation

**STAPH
AUREUS**



1889

**Discovered in
the nose**

History of *S. aureus* and Nasal Colonization Risk Mitigation

AUTO-INFECTION



1932

The nose to finger wound concept introduced

1ST MRSA OUTBREAK



1968

USA Hospital

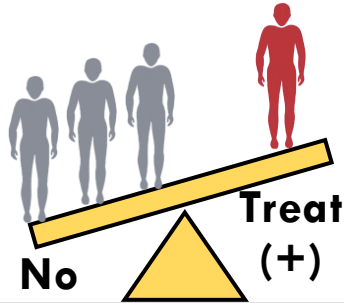
ISOLATION PRECAUTIONS



1983

CDC - Isolate Culture (+) for MRSA

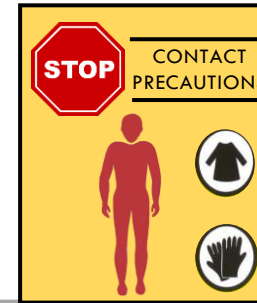
HIGH-RISK TARGETED DECOLONIZATION



1996 Surgeries
2003 Patients

Treat (+) with Mupirocin

SCREEN & ISOLATE



2006/2007

Active Surveillance
CDC updates for high MRSA endemic rates

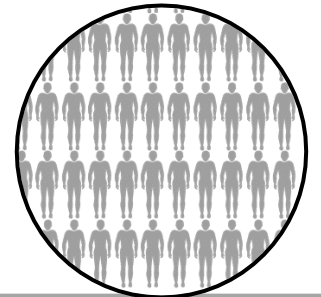
ICU UNIVERSAL DECOLONIZATION



2013

Treat all ICU patients with Mupirocin

NEW PARADIGM SHIFT ALL PATIENTS UNIVERSAL DECOLONIZATION



2014

Active Source Control for **all patients** with daily alcohol-based nasal antiseptic



MRSA (+)

REDUCE MRSA Study

RANDOMIZED CONTROL STUDY:

- 43 hospitals, 74 ICUs, 16 states
- ~75,000 patients, 283,000 ICU patient days
- 18-month intervention
- Decolonization agent antibiotic mupirocin

Arm 1: SCREEN AND ISOLATE

- Screened all ICU patients and isolate **known MRSA (+)**

Arm 2: TARGETED DECOLONIZATION

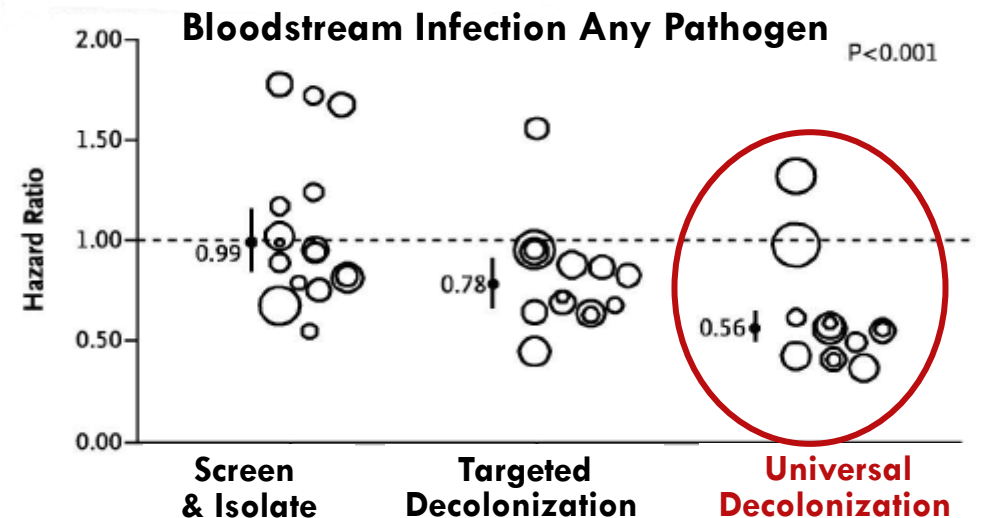
- Screened all ICU patients
- Targeted nasal decolonization/CHG bathing only for **known MRSA (+)**

Arm 3: UNIVERSAL DECOLONIZATION

- No screening
- Universal nasal decolonization/CHG bathing for all ICU patients

RESULTS

Universal Decolonization Superior to Screen & Isolate and Target Decolonization

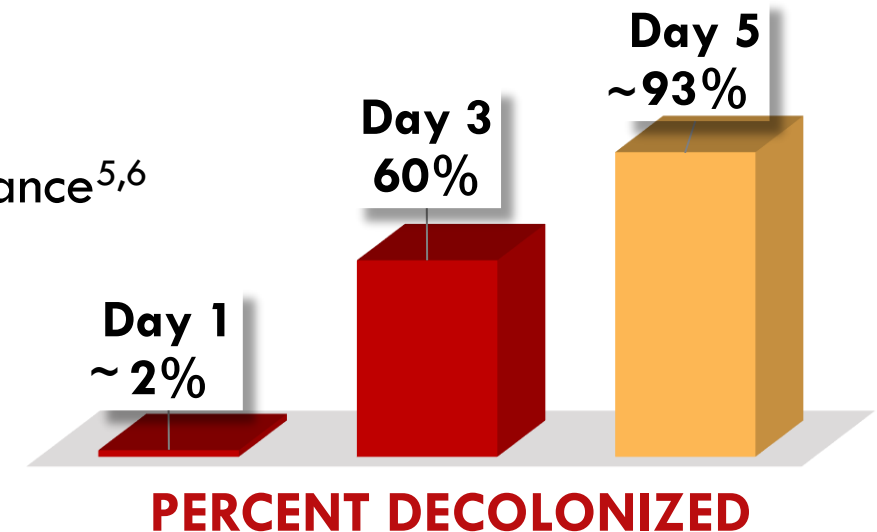


44% decrease in all-cause bloodstream infections

Limitations of Mupirocin vs. an Antiseptic Solution

Antibiotic - Mupirocin (Bactroban®) Limitations to Consider:

- **5-day BID course – limited effectiveness until day 3 of treatment**^{1,2}
 - **42% compliance with 5-day BID**³
 - **Treatment failure** with eradication rate as low as 51%⁴
- **Antibiotic stewardship**
 - **Resistance** - Repeated users have a higher rate of resistance^{5,6}
 - **Transfer of resistance to CoNS**⁷
 - Mupirocin-resistant CoNS has been reported at rates of 32.7% up to 75.2%.^{8,9}
- **Selective mechanism**
 - **Narrow spectrum** - for gram-positive bacteria
- **Local hypersensitivity** reactions with mupirocin¹⁰



¹ Anderson 2015 Antimicrob Agents & Chemotherapy 59 (5), pp. 2765-2773.

² Casewell MW et al. J Antimicrob Chemother 1985;15:523

³ Saraswat, Annals of Thoracic Surgery 2017.

⁴ Liu Q-Z, et al. 2010. Int J Antimicrob Agents 2010;35:114-8.

⁵ Dadashi M et al. 2020. J Glob Antimicrob Resistance 20:238-247.

⁶ Deeny S, et al. 2015. J Antimicrob Chemother 70:3366-3378

⁷ Eed E, et al. 2019. Am J Infect Control 47:1319-1323.

⁸ Bhatt MP, et al. 2016. Med J Armed Forces India 7254-8.

⁹ Sader HS et al. 2012. Diagn Microbiol Infect Dis 73:212-4.

¹⁰ Contact Dermatitis. 2019 Jun;80(6):397-398

Nasal Decolonization Agents

Benefits	Alcohol-based antiseptic	Antibiotic prophylactic (mupirocin)	Povidone iodine antiseptic
Effective for gram (+) and (-)	✓	✗	✓
Non-antibiotic--no reported resistance	✓	✗	✓
99% reduction within the first minute	✓	✗	✓
Suitable for daily use	✓	✗	✗
Compliance assurance – easy and pleasant to use	✓	✗	✗

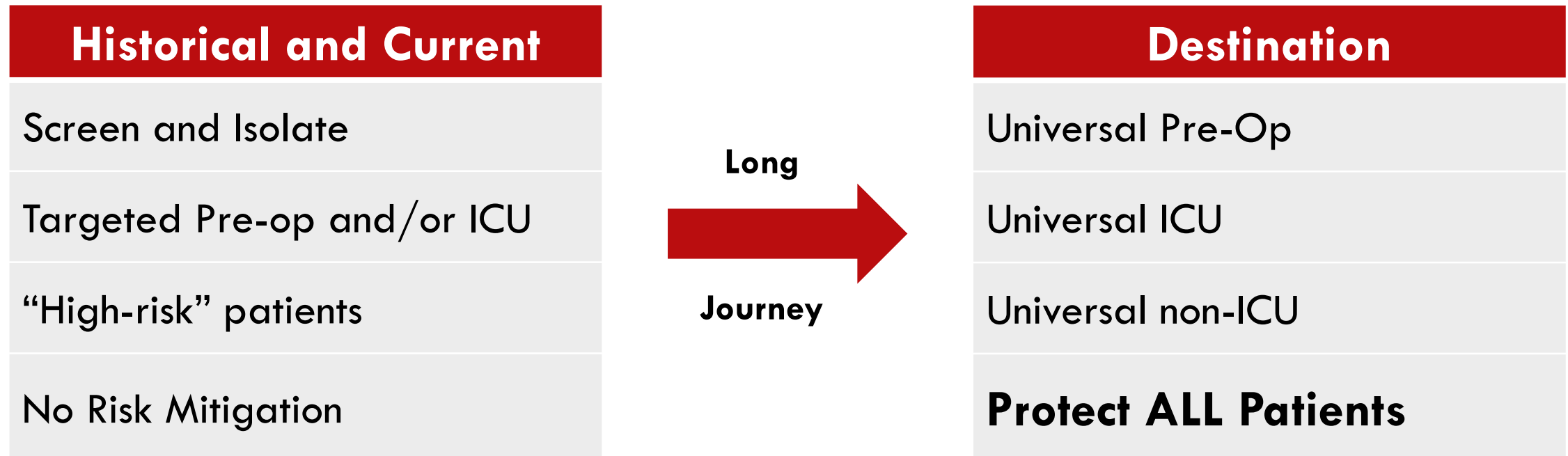
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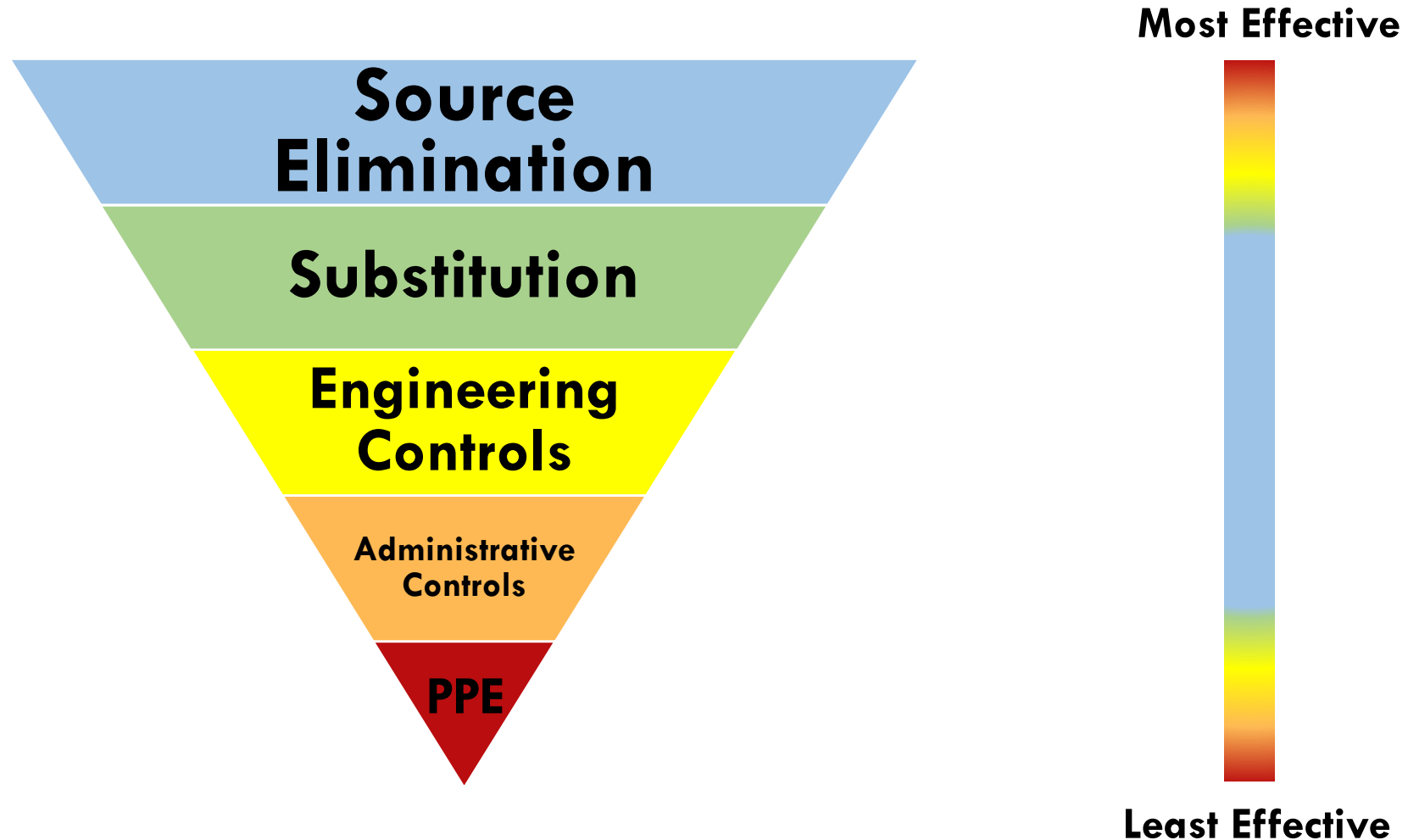
³ Stern RA, et al. ICHE. 2022 Sep 26:1-4.

What is the Paradigm Shift?

Radically new definition of how to leverage the power of nasal decolonization to protect patients better, reduce cost and improve throughput



OSHA Hierarchy of Controls



Patient Hierarchy of Controls

**PPE usage failure –
HCP contaminated their
skin or clothing nearly
80% during observations.**



PPE

Transmission Based Precautions

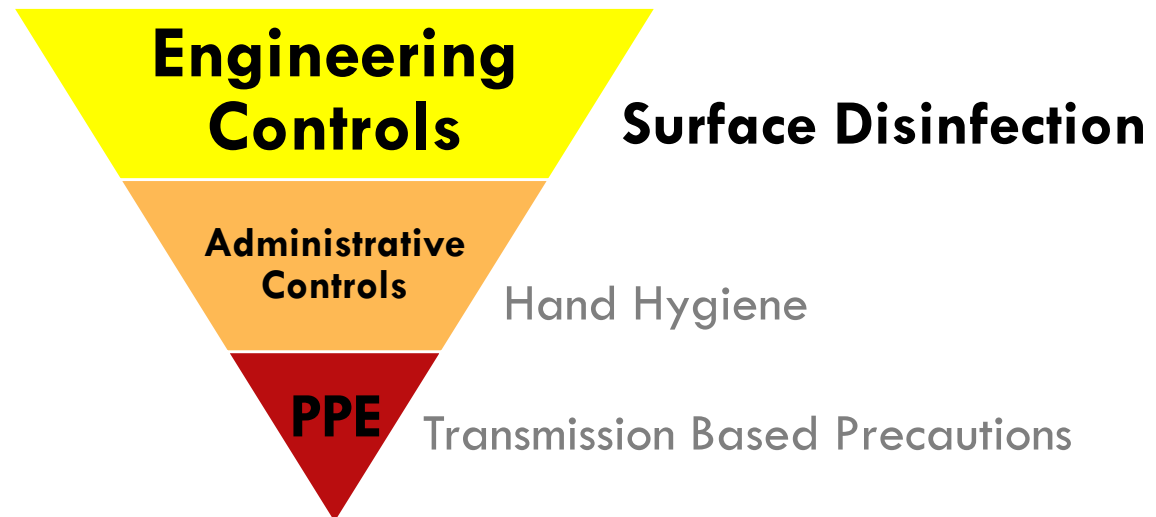
Patient Hierarchy of Controls

**50% compliance after
contact with the
environment and
80% after direct patient
contact.**



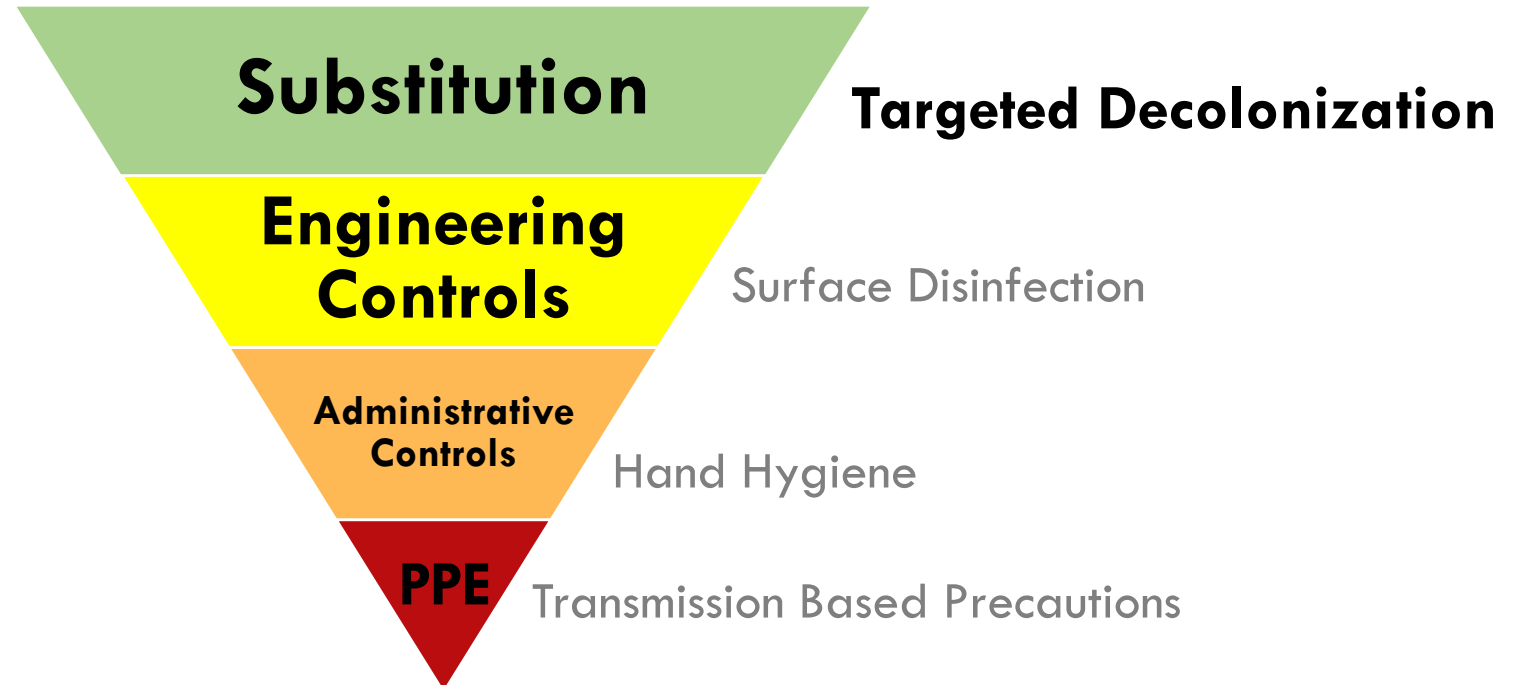
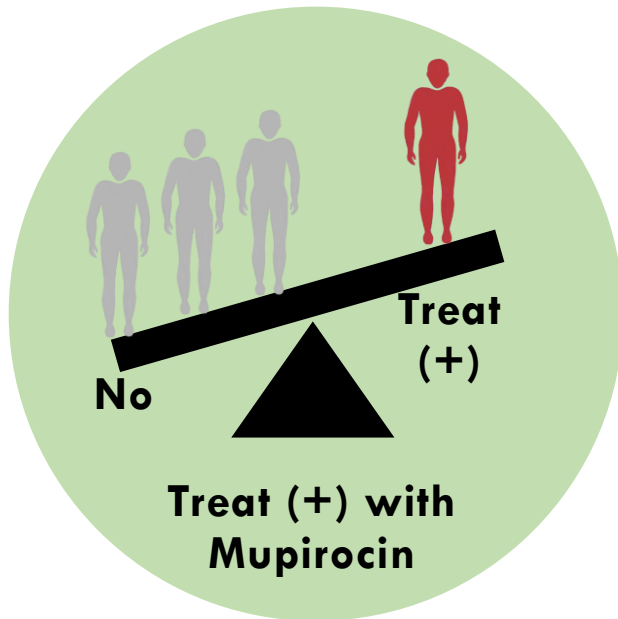
Patient Hierarchy of Controls

**~68% of surfaces are
NOT disinfected by
routine daily cleaning or
terminal cleaning.**



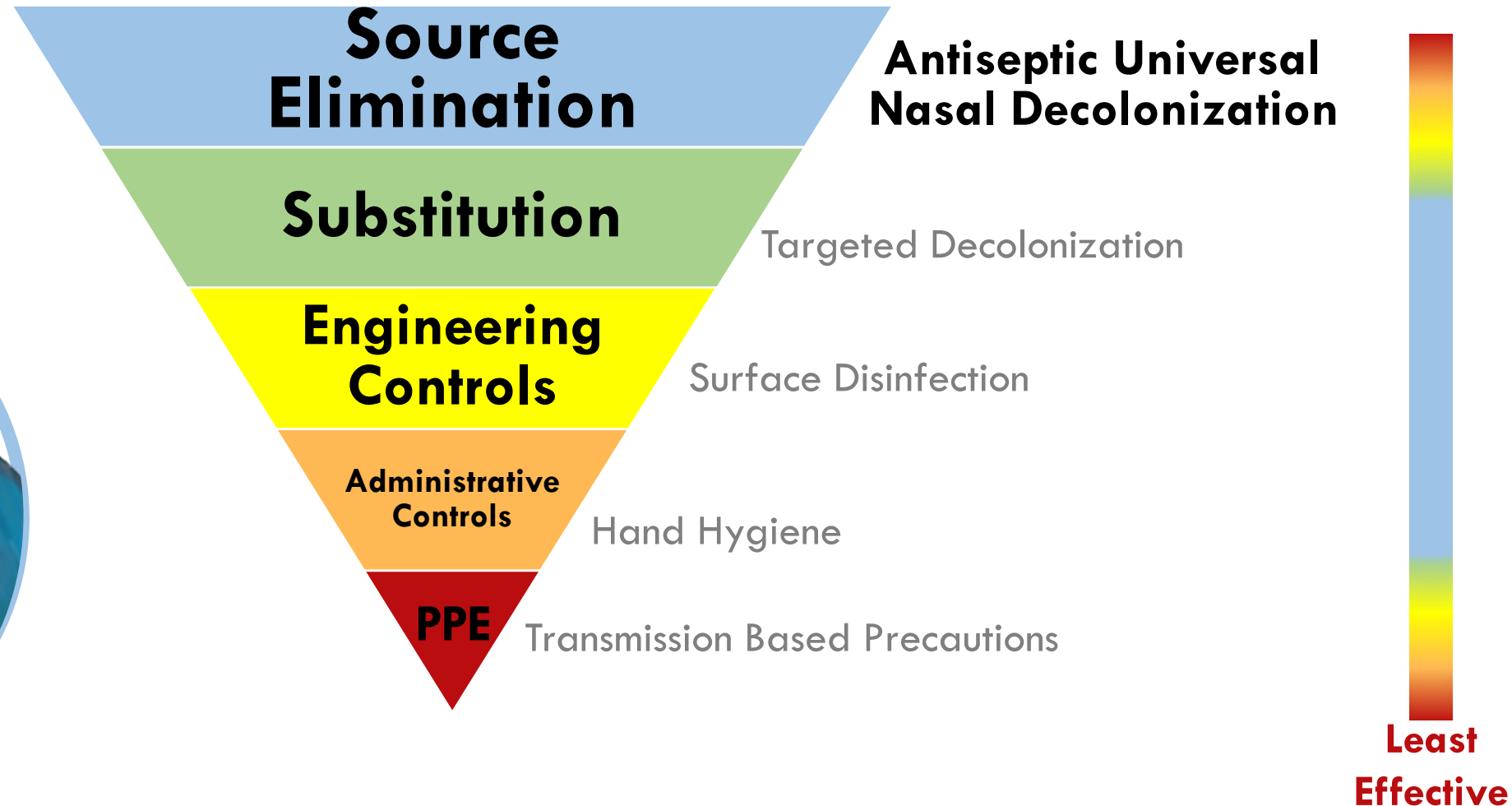
Patient Hierarchy of Controls

35% of colonized patients were not detected when targeting patients for nasal decolonization



Patient Hierarchy of Controls

**99% Antiseptic
Decolonization
Efficacy**



Successful Programs Must Address Both Sources of Infection Risks

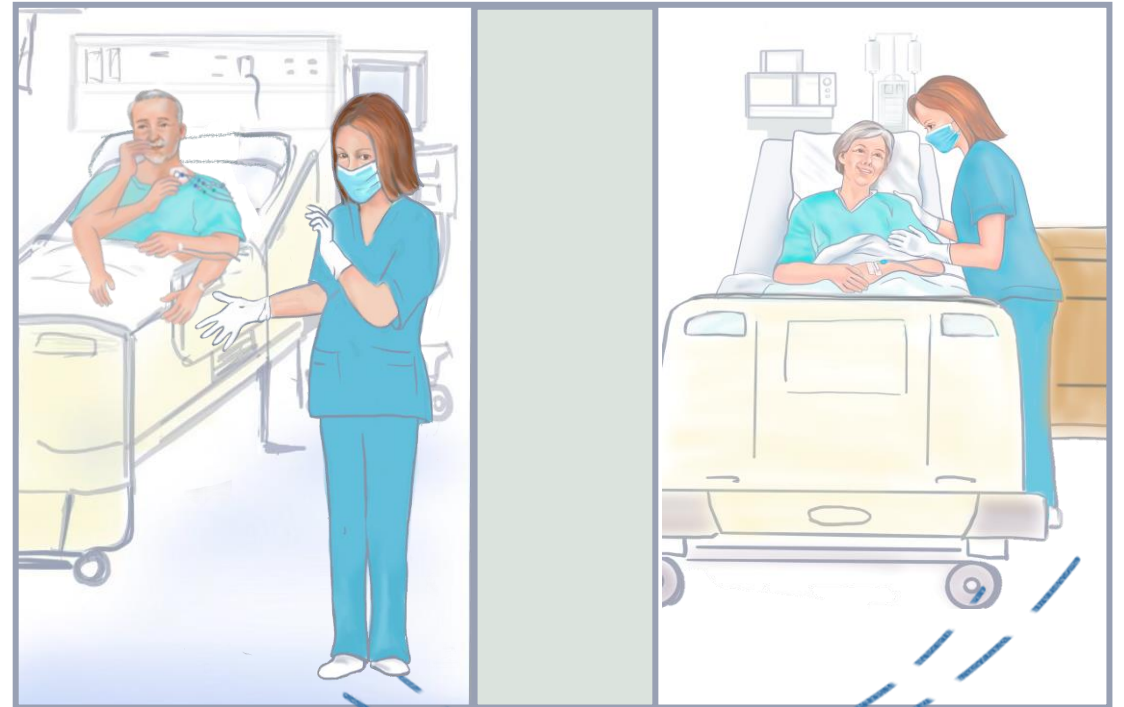
Self-Inoculation



Transmission



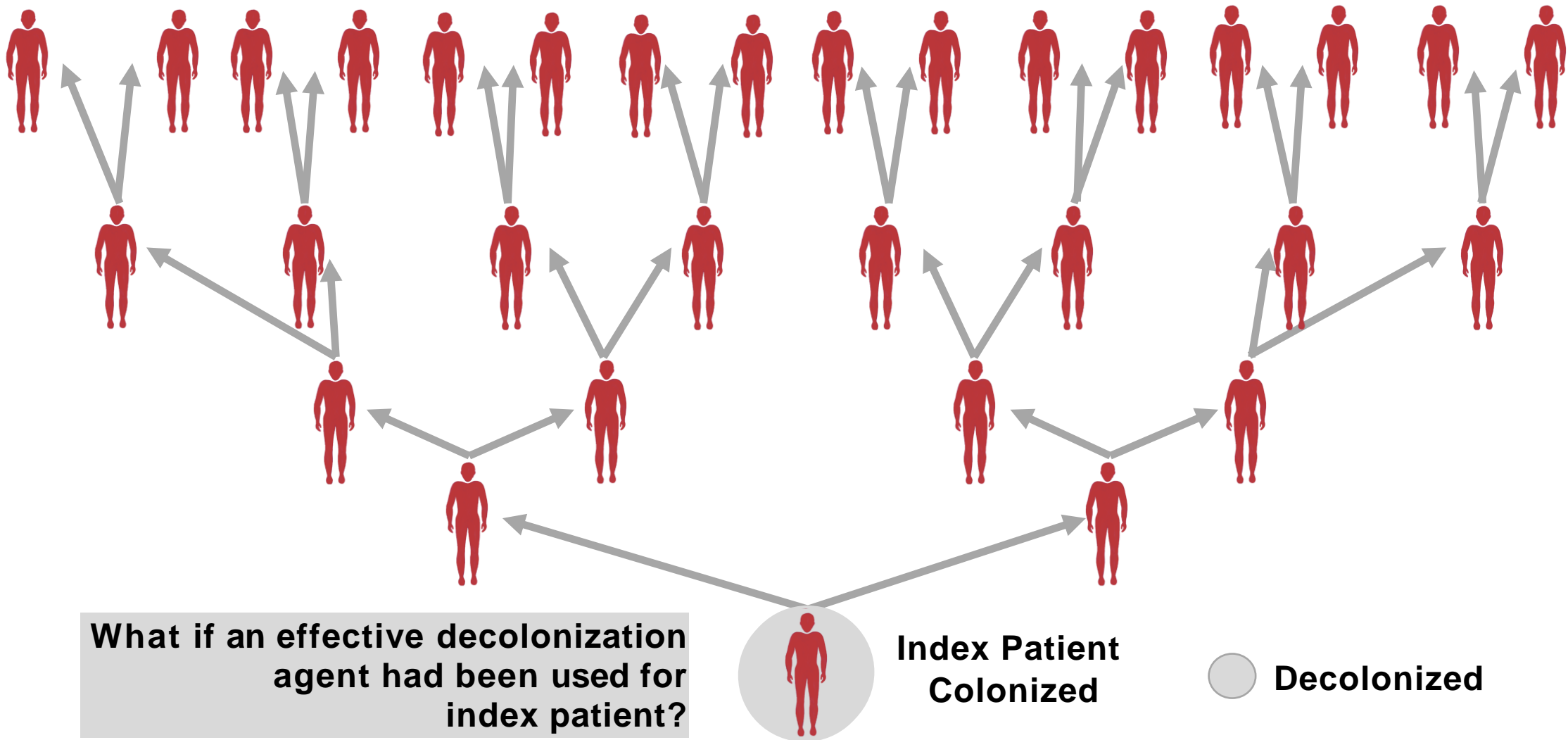
Antiseptic Universal Nasal Decolonization



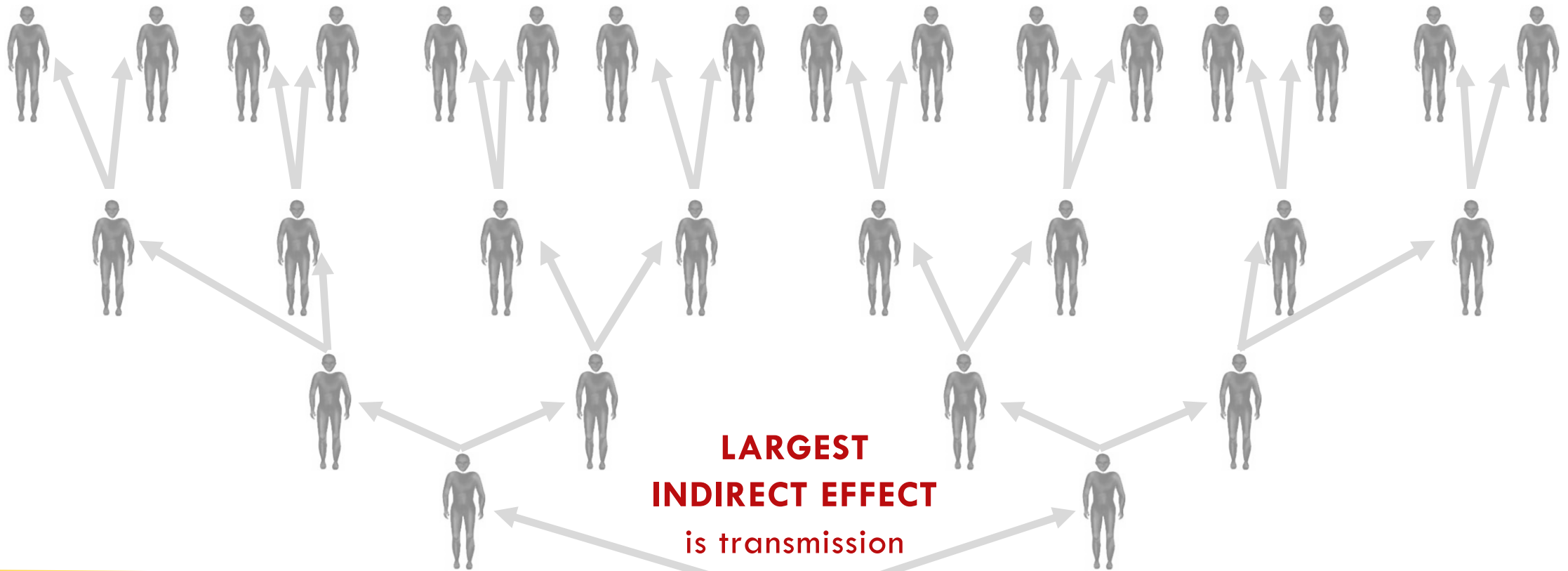
TARGETING PREVENTION PROGRAMS DO NOT ADDRESS
Self-inoculation/Transmission infection risks simultaneously

ACTIVE SOURCE CONTROL PROGRAMS PROTECT ALL PATIENTS
From Self-inoculation/Transmission infection risks simultaneously

Decolonization as a Strategy for Preventing Antimicrobial-Resistant Infections – Dr. John A. Jernigan, MS, MS, CDC



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Decolonizing 1 patient could prevent an estimated ~9 infections and ~3 deaths.

Clinical Evidence
Active Source Control Strategy
Daily Universal Nasal Antiseptic Decolonization

MRSA Bacteremia Reduction

Impact of a stepwise intervention on HO MRSA Bacteremia SIR

ICU PATIENTS Phase 1 (Baseline)

- Target, Screen, and Isolate detected MRSA (+)
- Universal daily CHG wipes.

ICU PATIENTS Phase 2

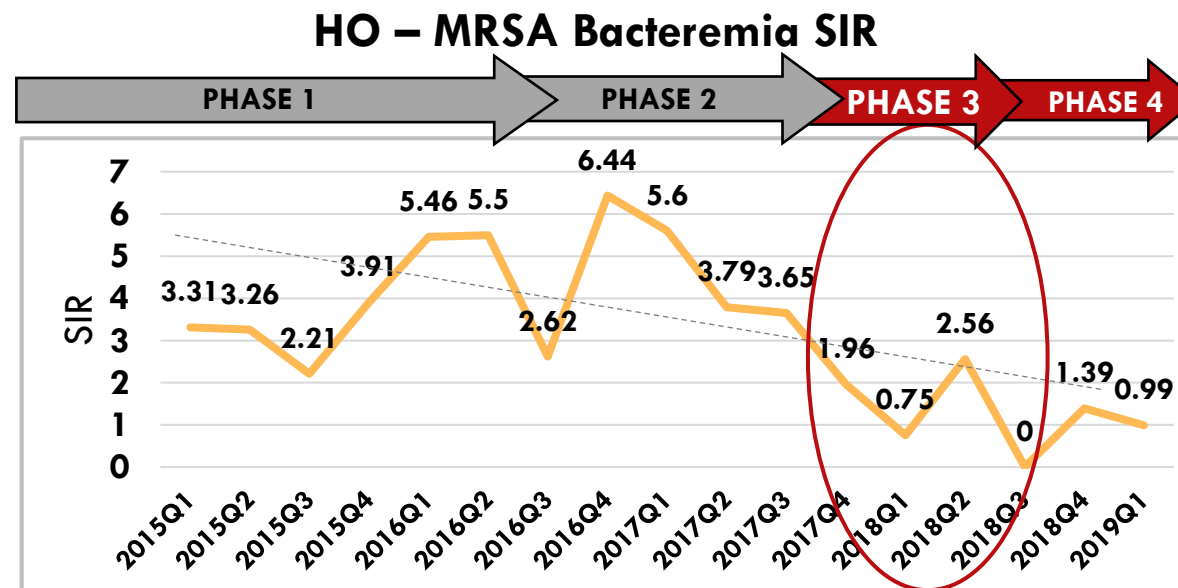
- Continue Targeting, Screening, and Isolating for detected MRSA (+)
- **Add 5 BID course with mupirocin for all ICU patients**
- **Add Daily CHG bathing for all inpatients**

ADD ALL INPATIENTS Phase 3

- **Stop** Targeting, Screening, Isolating, and Mupirocin
- **Add Universal Decolonization with Daily Nasal Antiseptic for LOS**
- Continue CHG bathing

CONTINUE ALL INPATIENTS Phase 4

- Continue Universal Decolonization with Daily Nasal Antiseptic for LOS
- Continue CHG bathing
- **Add Hand-sanitizing wipes**



**74% Reduction in
MRSA bacteremia SIR**

**MRSA Bacteremia SIR
decreased significantly from
3.65 (Phase I baseline) to
0.96 (Phase 4)* p-value=
0.003**

MRSA Bacteremia Reduction

AUTHOR	BASELINE		INTERVENTION	PATIENT POPULATION	OUTCOME Infection Reduction
	Nasal Product	CHG			
Arden, 2019 Open Forum Infect. Dis	none	Ø	Universal Decolonization Program with Daily Alcohol Nasal Antiseptic	All Inpatients	100% MRSA Bacteremia (2.14 to 0)
Reeves, 2020 ICHE	none	Ø	Universal Decolonization Program with Daily Alcohol Nasal Antiseptic	All ICU Patients	100% MRSA Bacteremia (.24 to 0)

Effects of Decolonization Protocols in Pediatric Critical Care Populations

AUTHOR	BASELINE		INTERVENTION	PATIENT POPULATION	OUTCOME Infection Reduction
	Nasal Product	CHG			
Schroeder, 2023 APIC Orlando	none	✓	> 2 years Daily Alcohol Nasal Antiseptic <2 years Mupirocin 5 BID	Cardiac Intensive Care Unit (CICU)	86% 1.60 to 0.22 HO MRSA rates 100% 0.53 to 0.00 MRSA Bacteremia
		✓	Nasal Decolonization Program with Mupirocin 5 BID	Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU)	46% 1.28 to 0.69 HO MRSA rates 100% 0.35 to 0.00 MRSA Bacteremia

***Pediatric ICU: After including all patients 100% reduction in cases of MRSA bacteremia**

Jennifer Schroeder, Effects of Decolonization Protocols in Pediatric Critical Care Populations, APIC Orlando 2023, 20-month study.

SSI Reduction

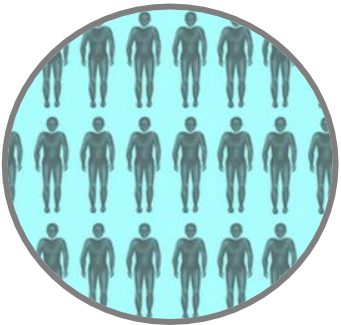
AUTHOR	BASELINE		INTERVENTION	PATIENT POPULATION	OUTCOME Infection Reduction
	Nasal Product	CHG			
Bostian, 2018 AAOS	none	✓	Pre-Op and Post-Op Daily Alcohol Nasal Antiseptic	All Total Joint Arthroplasty Patients	79% All cause SSI total joints (1.5 to .34)
Franklin, 2020 AJIC	none	✓	Pre-Op and Post-Op Daily Alcohol Nasal Antiseptic	All Total Joint Arthroplasty Patients	100% All-cause SSI total joints (Hip .91 to 0) (Knee .36 to 0)
Gnass, 2020 Open Forum Infec. Dis	Povidone-Iodine	✓	<u>Pre-Op and Post-Op</u> Daily Alcohol Nasal Antiseptic Voluntary Staff Use	All Surgical Patients	63% (2.27 to .80) All-cause SSI
Arden, 2019 Open Forum Infec. Dis	Mupirocin	✓	<u>Pre-Op and Post-Op</u> Daily Alcohol Nasal Antiseptic	All Inpatients	100% (.069 to 0) All-cause SSI

AORN eGUIDELINES+



Updated AORN Guidelines on Preoperative Skin Antisepsis (2021) Highlights on recommendations for nasal decolonization:

Universal Decolonization



Section 1.2.1

Universal decolonization (vs. targeted) resulted in **greater efficiency** and **lower cost** due to **SSIs prevented**.

Antiseptic



Section 1.3.1

An alternative to mupirocin is the use of an antiseptic (including an **alcohol-based antiseptic**)

Post-Op Decolonization



Section 1.4

Postop decolonization: Surgical patients may benefit from relatively short-term decolonization or **until the surgical incision has healed**

Financial Burden

SSI INFECTION¹

Excess LOS days

SSI:
11

MRSA SSI:
23

Cost to treat MRSA Infection

SSI:
\$20,785

MRSA SSI:
\$42,300

CLABSI INFECTION¹

Excess LOS days

CLABSI:
10

MRSA CLABSI:
16

Cost to treat MRSA Infection

CLABSI:
\$45,814

MRSA CLABSI:
\$58,614

¹Zimlichman E et al.. *JAMA Intern Med.* 2013;173(22):2039-2046.

The Key to Success = People

Quality (Process)

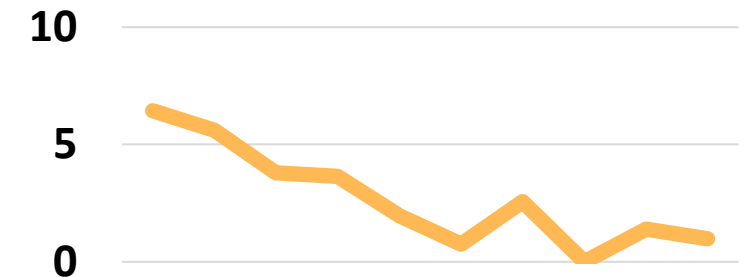


People



Results

HO-MRSA Bacteremia SIR



**Sustainable Use of
Universal Decolonization**

The Monument Health Story

365-bed Community Hospital in Rapid City, South Dakota

GO SLOW TO GO FAST
MAKING THE PARADIGM SHIFT HAPPEN



Lou, IP



Ty, IP Director

CHANGE MANAGEMENT PROCESS

Problem: Increased CLABSI, Other HAIs

Shared Need: Reduce HAIs

Vision: Getting to Zero

IMPORTANCE



CHALLENGE



Finding your Way



Finding Excuses

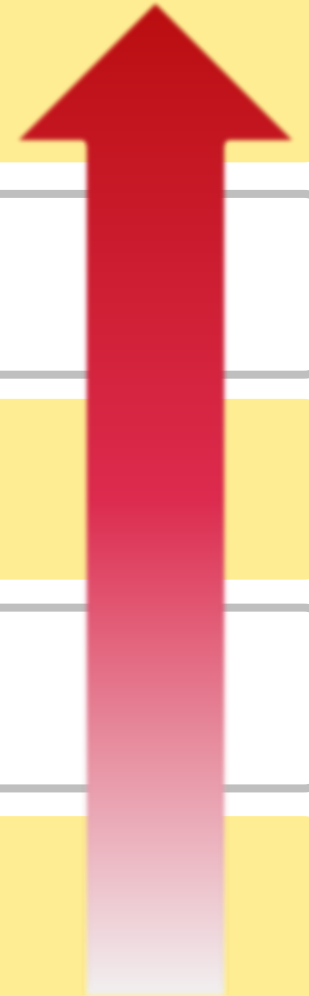
Monitor Progress

Implementation

Mobilize Commitment

Shaping a Vision

Creating a Shared Need



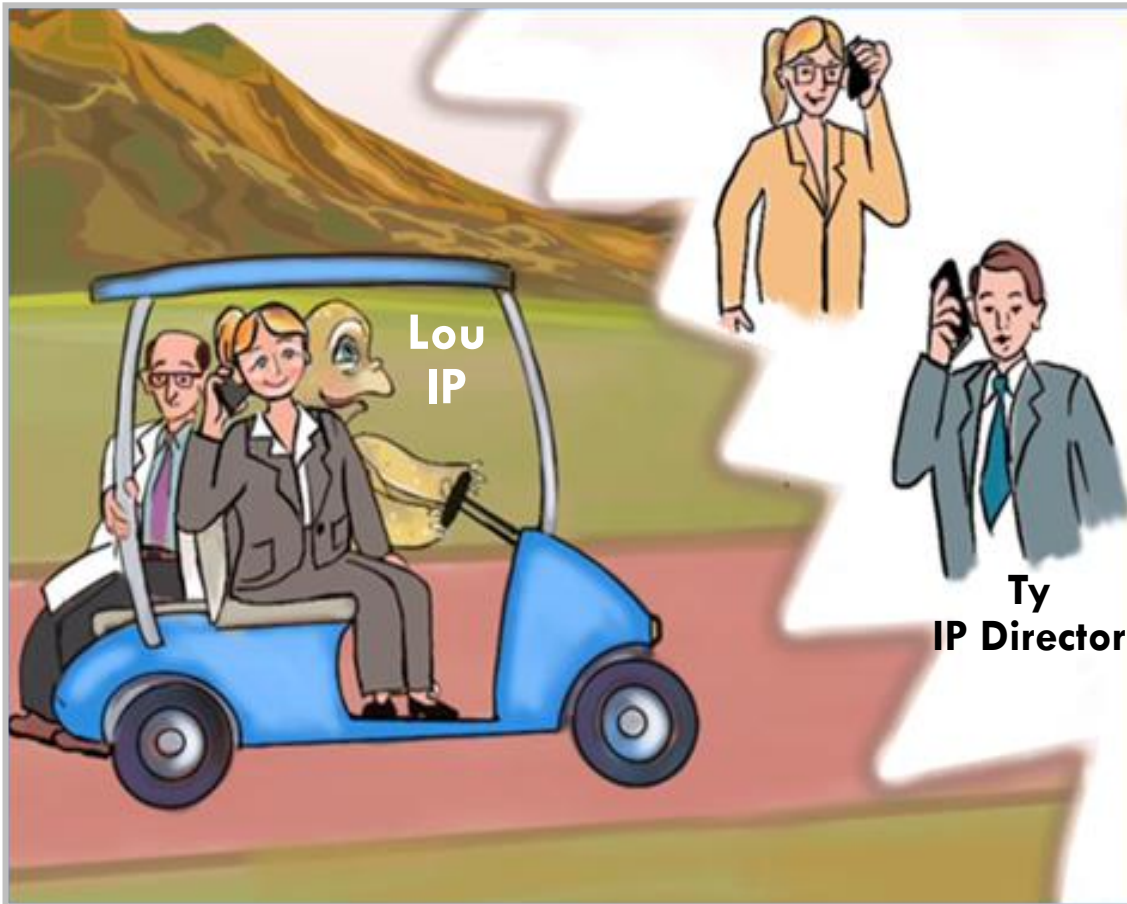
The Monument Health Story

Creating a Shared need – Shaping a vision

Colonization Risk	Baseline Estimates	Post-Implementation Estimates
Total MRSA Colonized Patients	2,233	~0
Total MSSA Colonized Patients	5,855	~0
Total MRSA & MSSA Colonized Patients	8,088	~0
Total MRSA & MSSA Colonized Patients Days	29,938	~0
Hospital Staff in Contact with an MRSA & MSSA Colonized Patient	2,658,494	~0
Patients at Elevated Risk of MRSA Infection-related Readmission	2,233	~0

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Mobilize Commitment

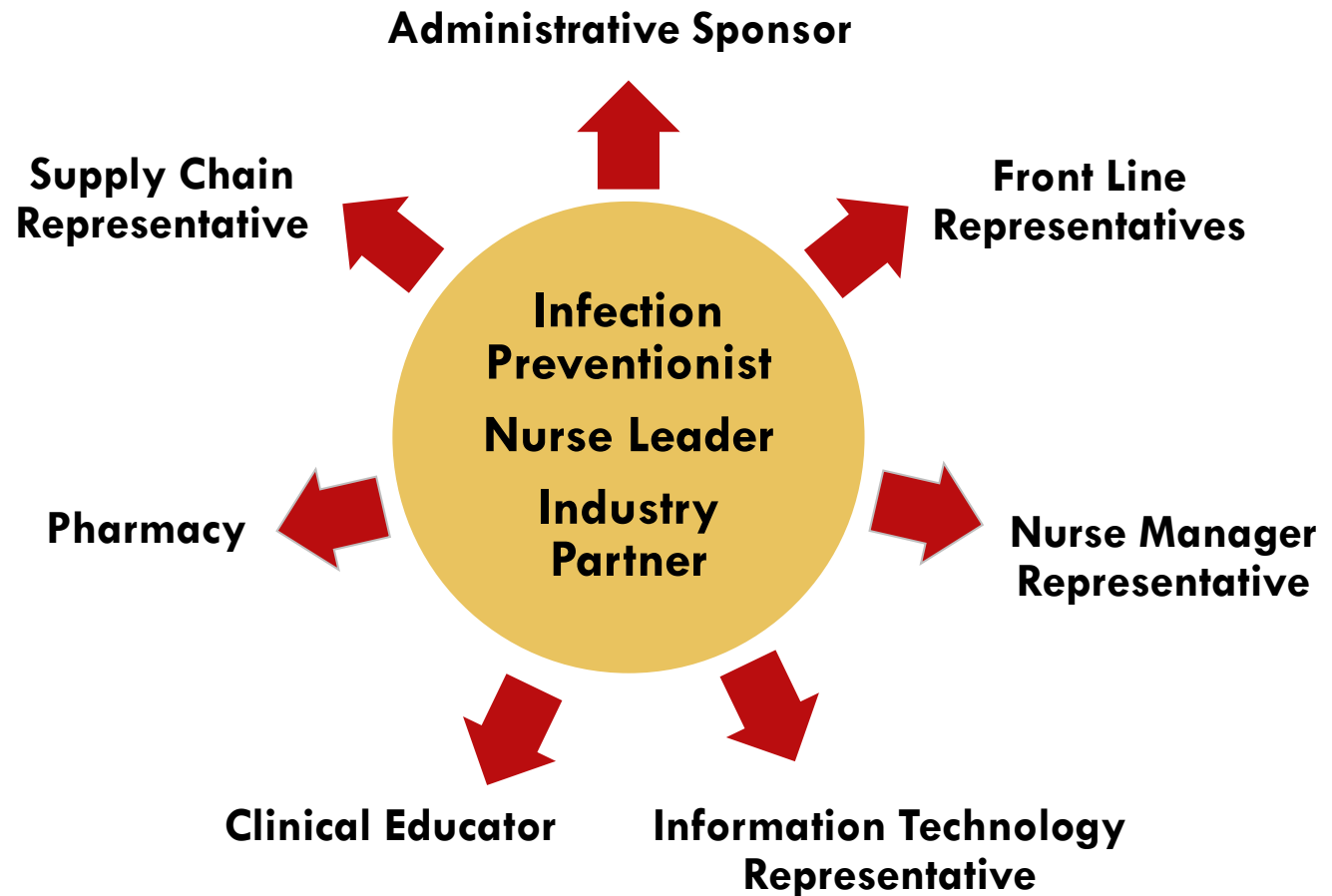


OBJECTIVE:

- **Team of committed supporters**
Co-champions, Stakeholders
 - IP
 - Pharmacy
 - Medical Staff
 - CNO
 - C-Suite
 - Frontline Staff
- **Identification of potential resistance**
- **Conversion of key influencers**

The Monument Health Story Implementation

**Mobilizing Commitment with
Frontline Staff**



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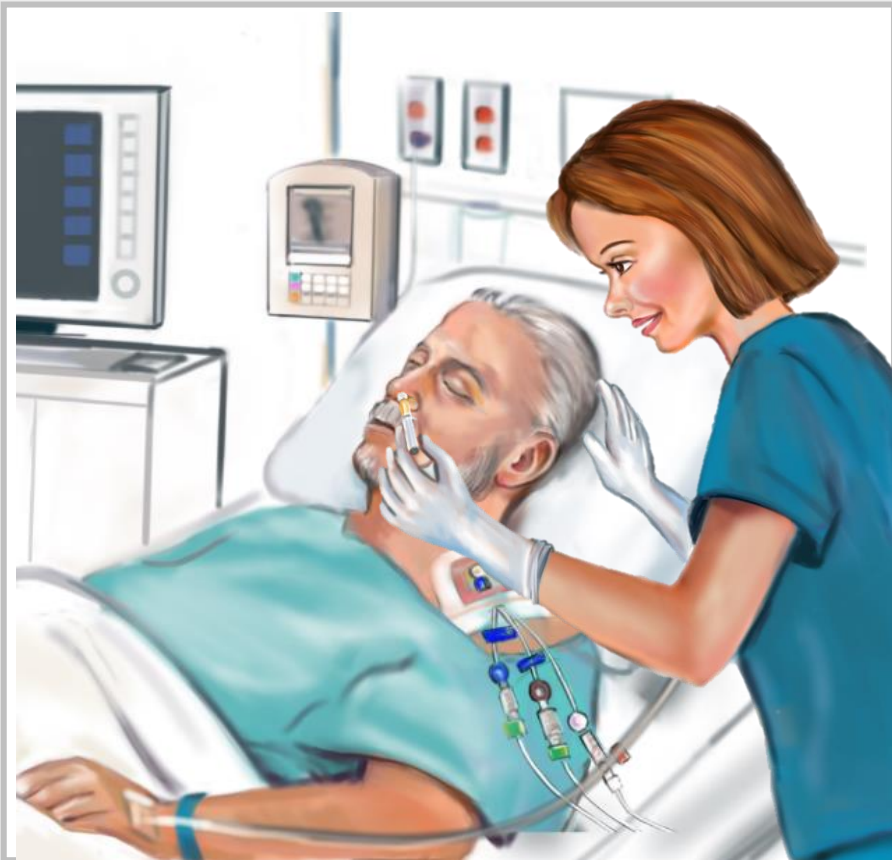
Monitoring – Nasal Decolonization Process



- **Monitor the MAR/EMR documentation**
- **Communicate compliance findings to managers and frontline staff**
- **Address barriers**
 - **Product availability**
 - **Non-compliance**
 - **New staff education**

Nasal Decolonization Patient Experience

IMPROVEMENT IN PATIENT AND STAFF SATISFACTION



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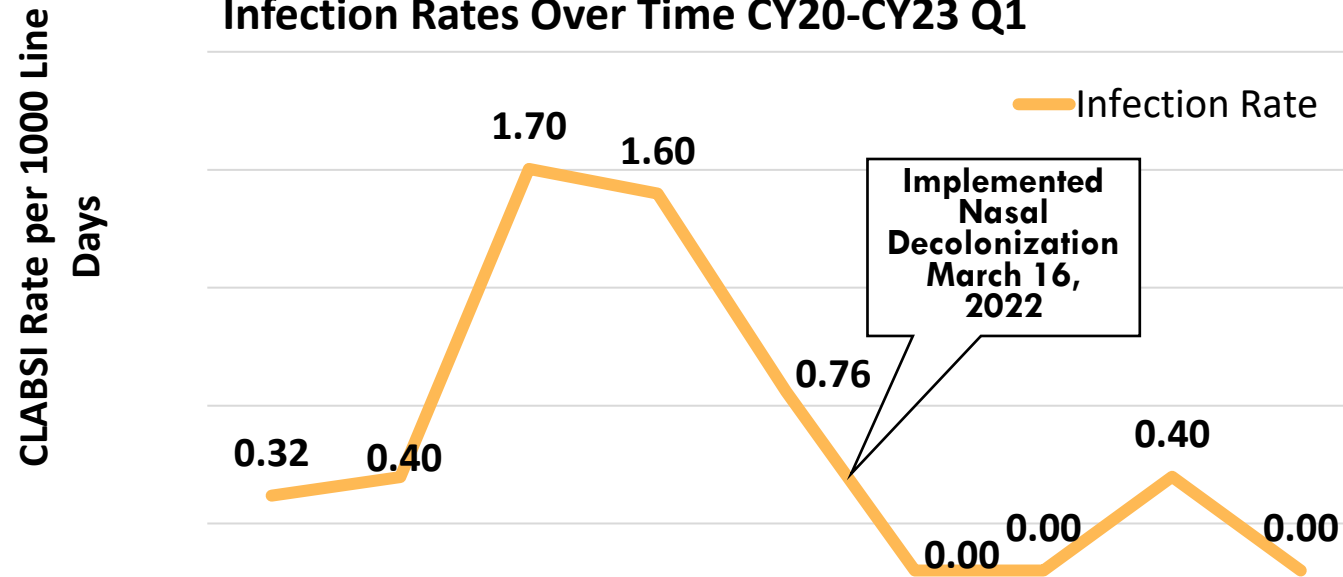
- **>90% Compliance**
- **Discontinued Screen and Isolate**
- **Product Acceptance**

- **Shorter Stays**
- **Improved Patient Safety/ Reduced HAIs**

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Outcomes

Monument Health Rapid City Hospital Quarterly
Infection Rates Over Time CY20-CY23 Q1

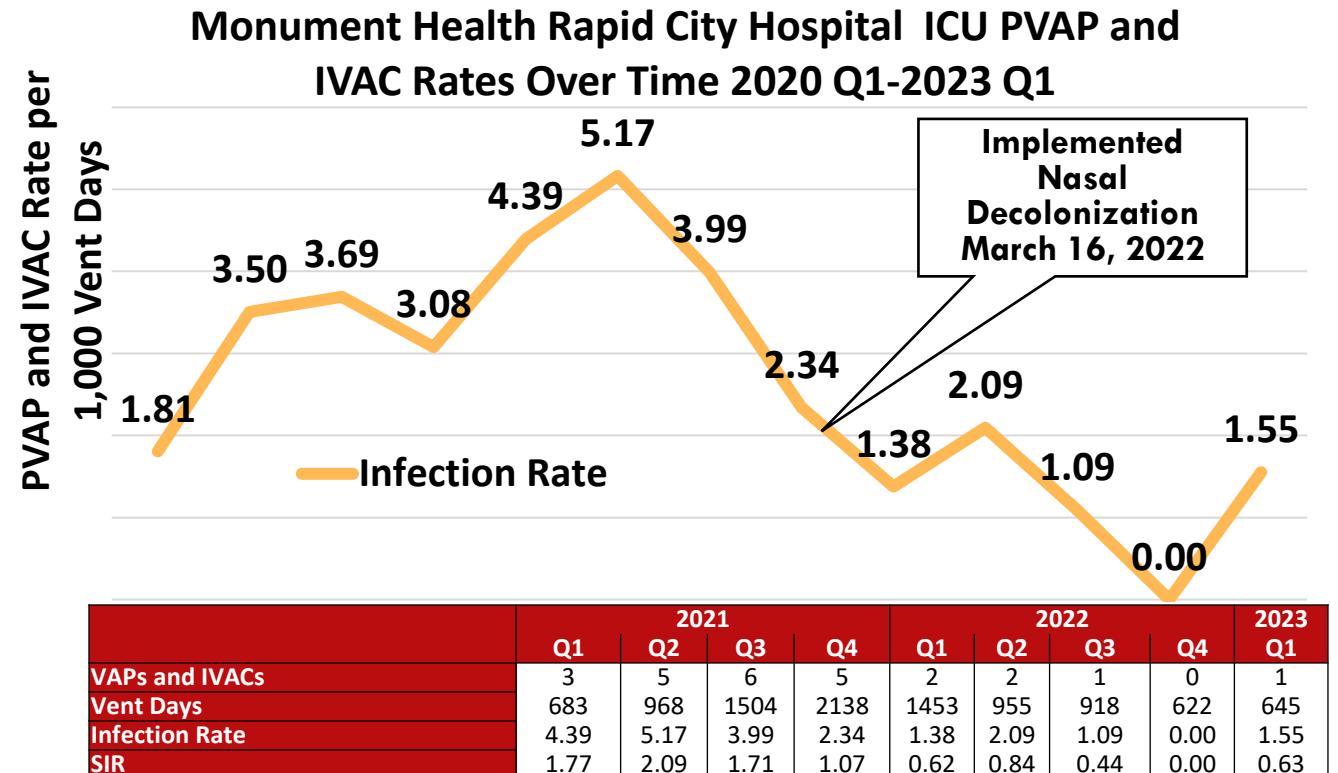
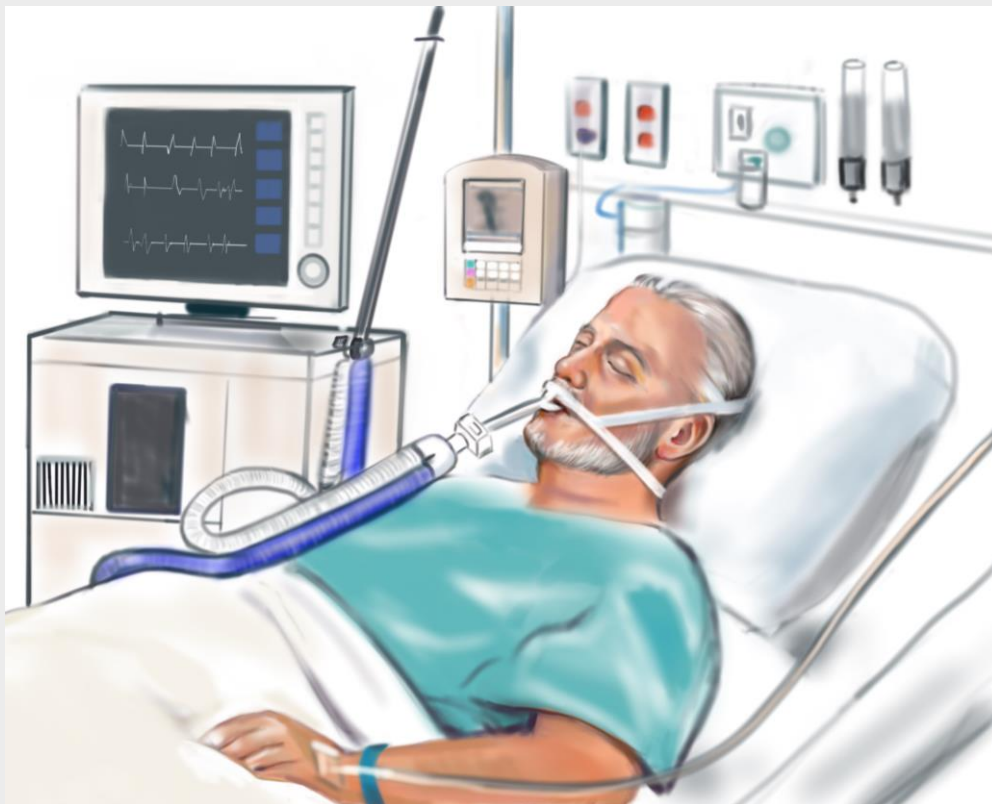


	2021				2022				2023
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1
CLABSI #	1	1	5	5	2	0	0	1	0
CL Days	3140	2517	2936	3127	2636	2523	2621	2509	2604
Infection Rate	0.32	0.40	1.70	1.60	0.76	0.00	0.00	0.40	0.00
SIR	0.32	0.40	1.68	1.60	0.78	0.00	0.00	0.41	0.00

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Outcomes

No change in VAP Bundle
Addition of Daily Application of Alcohol Nasal Antiseptic



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Outcomes

Monument Health ~Cost of CLABSI and VAP Pre versus Post-Implementation

Type of Infection	Avg cost/ infection*	12 month - Pre Implementation		12 month - Post Implementation		% Reduction	~Total Estimated Treatment Cost Reduction
		No. of HAIs	~Cost of HAI	No. of HAIs	~Cost of HAI		
CLABSI	\$48,108	13	\$625,404	1	\$48,108	92%	\$577,296
VAP	\$47,237	9	\$425,133	1	\$ 47,237	89%	\$377,896

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Outcomes

Monument Health Potential Gained Revenue through Excess LOS Days Avoided

Type of Infection	Avg excess LOS for 1 infection	12 month - Pre Implementation		12 month - Post Implementation		% Reduction	Potential Gained Revenue through Excess LOS Days Avoided ³
		No. of HAIs	Excess LOS	No. of HAIs	Excess LOS		
CLABSI ¹	11.4	13	148	1	11.4	92%	\$675,000
VAP ²	7	9	63	1	7	89%	\$277,500

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³ Excess LOS avoided x census x net revenue per patient day. Based on publicly available information: \$7,500.

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365-bed (39 Adult ICUs) Community Hospital in Rapid City, South Dakota

Actual Cost and Revenue Impact

12 CLABSI infections avoided (\$48,108 each est.)	\$577,296
8 VAP infections avoided (\$47,237 each est.)	\$377,896
70 estimated avoided MRSA-related readmissions (under 90 days, \$12,000 each est.)	\$876,000
Total Avoidable Treatment Cost (est.)	\$1,831,792
Product Cost (est.)	- \$465,964
Potential Overall Savings (est.)	\$1,365,828
Potential Gained Revenue through 211 Excess LOS Days Avoided	\$952,500

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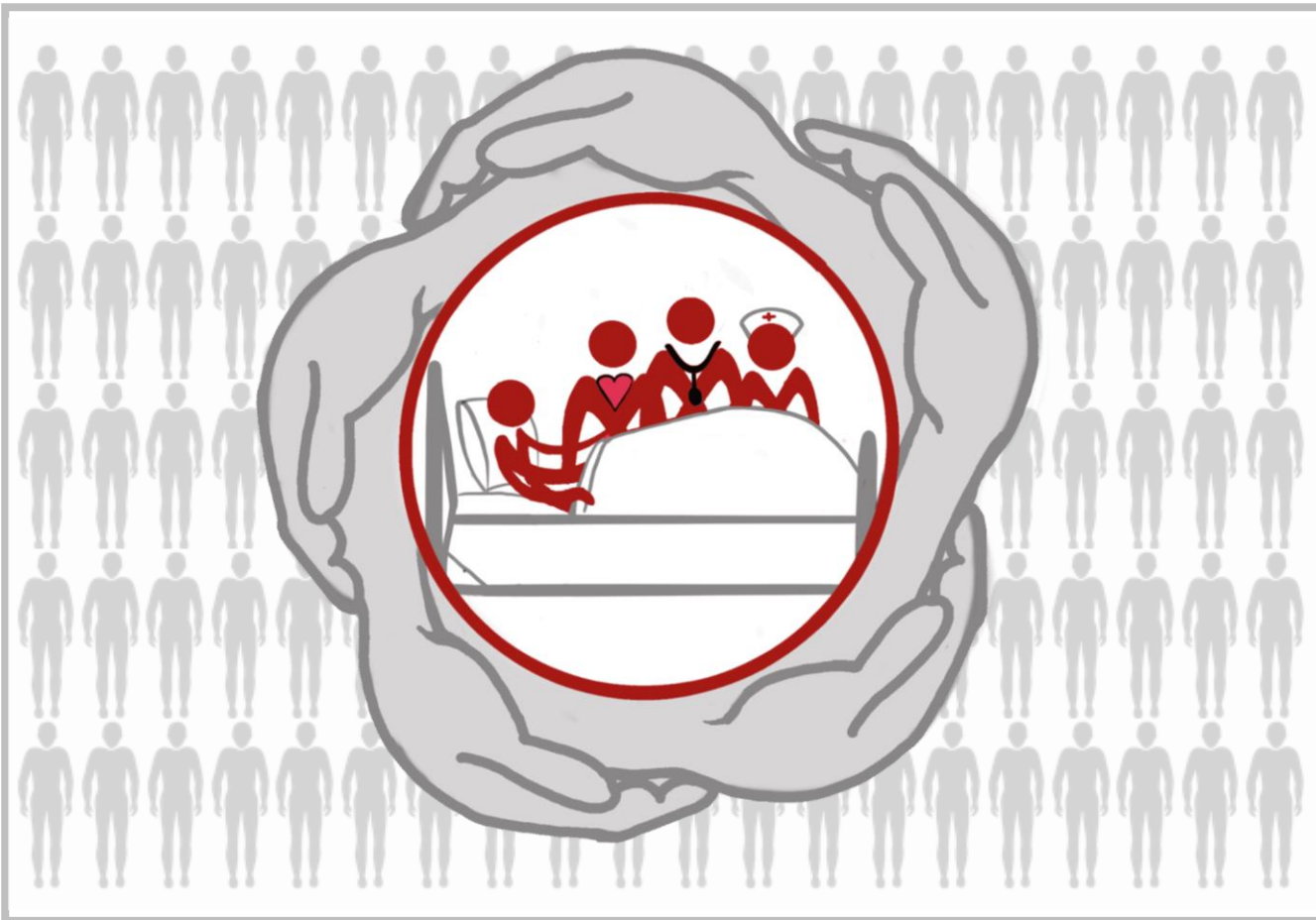
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Paradigm Shift – Protect All Patients

PROTECT ALL PATIENTS



Active Source Control Strategy

Mitigate the risk
of colonization
through
UNIVERSAL
NASAL
DECOLONIZATION

You Can Do This Too!

Implement a MRSA/MSSA Colonization Risk Mitigation Program

- Largest impact on HAI/MRSA infections and readmissions of any single program effort
- Low impact on staff - easy to deploy and scale
- No capital investment
- Improve the quality of patient care and satisfaction
- Potentially reduce CMS penalties associated with HAC and excess readmissions

Earn Contact Hours: Attendance Documentation



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Questions?

Connie Questions

- Has anyone in the audience implemented a universal nasal decolonization program?
- What is the biggest barrier you face?

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