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Primary Infection Prevention Track Two: Prevention for All Health Care Settings and Long-Term Care and Assisted Living Facilities

Details

Wednesday, April 22, 2026, 8am-5pm, and Thursday, April 23, 2026, 8:00am-4:00pm, (test will be 4:00pm-5:00pm)
Holthus Convention Center, 3130 Holen Ave., York, NE 68467

The Nebraska Infection Control Network (NICN) Primary Infection Prevention course offers a combination of lectures, discussions, and educational activities on preventing and controlling infections in various healthcare settings. The first day will focus on infection and prevention in all healthcare settings. Day two will focus on long-term care and assisted living facilities. Learners who attend the full course (two days) have the option to obtain a Long-Term Care certificate of knowledge validation by taking a written post-test after the training. This certificate is issued by NICN in collaboration with Nebraska ICAP and Nebraska DHHS Epidemiology Unit, and it is valid for three years. The post-test will be administered at the conclusion of the Day Two Long-Term Care & Assisted Living session.

Speakers

Day 1: Richard Hankins MD, Assistant Professor, University of Nebraska Medical Center
Kristi Felix, MSN, RN, CRRN, CIC, FAPIC, Infection Prevention Supervisor, Madonna Rehabilitation Hospitals
Elizabeth Beam PhD, RN, Assistant Professor, University of Nebraska Medical Center
Josette McConville, BSN, RN, CIC, Infection Preventionist, Nebraska ICAP/Nebraska Medicine
Mariah Gesink, MPH CIC, Infection Preventionist, Quality Department, Common Spirit, CHI Health Lakeside, CHI Health Midlands
Shelly Andre MSN, RN, CIC, Infection Preventionist, CHI Health St. Elizabeth
Andy Sass, RN, BSN, Service Leader of Epidemiology, Nebraska Methodist Health System
Erin Merrill BSN, RN-BC, Manager Employee Health, Nebraska Medicine
Teresa Balfour BSN, RN, Employee Health Case Management, Nebraska Medicine
Claire Ortlieb, MPH, HAI/AR Epidemiologist, Douglas County Health Department
Dyane Delancy BSN, RN-BC, CIC, Infection Preventionist, Veterans Health Administration
Kate Tyner, BSN, RN, CIC, Infection Prevention and Epidemiology, Nebraska Medicine

Day 2: Dr. Muhammad Ashraf, Associate Professor, University of Nebraska Medical Center
Jim Brannen, Wound and Ostomy Service, Nebraska Medicine
Natalie Manley MD, Medical Director PACE, Immanuel Communities and University of Nebraska Medical Center
Kelly Darling, MSN, BSN, RN, Quality Manager, Immanuel Pathways
Jenna Preusker, PharmD, BCPS, BCIDP, Nebraska ASAP Pharmacy Coordinator, Nebraska Medicine
Alex Neukirch, PharmD, Consultant Pharmacist, Community Pharmacy Services
Nancy Esch, MPH, RN, IBCLC, Infection Preventionist, Central District Health Department
Tammi Schaffart, BSN, RN, Infection Preventionist, Douglas County Health Center
Dan Schock BSN, RN-BC, Director of Clinical Services, Vetter Health Services, Inc.
Lacey Pavlovsky RN, MSN, CIC, Infection Preventionist, Nebraska Medicine

Agenda Day One (CST)

7:30am-8:00am: Registration and Networking (light breakfast provided)
8:00am-8:30am: Basic Microbiology-Dr. Richard Hankins (0.5 CH)
8:30am-9:00am: Hand Hygiene-Kristi Felix (0.05 CH)
9:00am-9:30am: Personal Protective Equipment-Kristi Felix (0.5 CH)
9:30am-9:45am: Break
9:45am-10:25pm: Respiratory Protection Plan Implementation-Elizabeth Beam (0.67 CH)
10:25am-11:15am: Infection Prevention Risk Assessment-Josette McConville (0.83 CH)
11:15am-11:45am: The IP Educator: Tips on Teaching Adults-Mariah Gesink (0.5 CH)
11:45am-12:15pm: Lunch (provided)
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Agenda Day One Continued (CST)

- 12:15pm-1:05pm Environmental Cleaning & Disinfection-Shelly Andre (0.83 CH)
- 1:05pm-1:55pm: Waterborne Pathogens-Andy Sass (0.83 CH)
- 1:55pm-2:05pm: Break
- 2:05pm-2:50pm: Infection prevention in Healthcare Providers-Erin Merrill and Teresa Balfour(0.75 CH)
- 2:50pm-3:40pm Nebraska Public Health-Claire Ortlieb (0.83 CH)
- 3:40pm-3:50pm: Break
- 3:50pm-4:20pm: Transmission Based Precautions-Dyane Delancy (0.5 CH)
- 4:20pm-4:50pm: Infection Safety and Point of Care Testing-Kate Tyner (0.5 CH)
- 4:50pm-5:00pm: Evaluation (0.17 CH)

Agenda Day Two

- 7:30am-8:00am: Registration and Networking (light breakfast provided)
- 8:00am-8:40am: IC Program and Infrastructure-Dr. Muhammad Ashraf (0.67 CH)
- 8:40am-9:10am: Wounds and Infection Control-Jim Brannen (0.50 CH)
- 9:10am-9:40am: Resident Safety and Vaccination-Dr. Natalie Manley and Kelly Darling (0.5 CH)
- 9:40am-9:55am: Break
- 9:55am-10:45am: Antimicrobial Stewardship: Program Infrastructure and Interventions-Jenna Preusker (0.83 CH)
- 10:45am-11:40am: Antimicrobial Stewardship: Tracking, Reporting and Education-Alex Neukirch (0.92 CH)
- 11:40am-12:20pm: Lunch (provided)
- 12:20pm-1:10pm: Outbreak Management-Nancy Esch and Tammi Schaffart (0.83 CH)
- 1:10pm-1:40pm: Survey Response and Readiness-Dan Schockk (0.5 CH)
- 1:40pm-2:40pm: Surveillance and Data Analysis-Lacey Pavlovsky (1.0 CH)
- 2:40pm-3:00pm: Break
- 3:00pm-3:50pm: Workshop-Lacey Pavlovsky and Dr. Muhammed Ashraf (0.83 CH)
- 3:50pm-4:00pm: Evaluation (0.17 CH)
- 4:00pm-5:00pm: Exam (no CH)

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Potential Relevant Financial Relationships:

Name: Dr. Muhammad Ashraf

Name of Ineligible Company: Merck & Co. Inc

Nature of Relationship with Ineligible Company: Research Support

All of the relevant financial relationships listed have been mitigated. There are no other financial relationships to disclose.

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