

Newfoundland and Labrador Disease Control Manual	
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9.1 Infection Prevention & Control

This program area focuses on excellence in infection prevention and control practices in the province of Newfoundland and Labrador. This will be accomplished, in collaboration with Provincial Infection Control Newfoundland Labrador (PIC-NL), by maximizing coordination and integration of activities related to healthcare-associated infections, infection prevention and control, and surveillance using an evidence-based approach.

This is achieved by:

- Fostering collaboration between the Regional Health Authorities on infection prevention and control issues;
- Developing relevant policy and guidelines;
- Providing knowledge to guide investigation or practices (i.e., best practice guidelines); and
- Advocating on behalf of the community of practice for appropriate and sustainable resources

The Infection Prevention and Control Resources are available at this web address:

<http://www.health.gov.nl.ca/health/publichealth/cdc/infectionpreventionandcontrol.html>

Note: It may be necessary for you to cut and paste the web address into your browser.

In addition to the guidelines this site will provide the protocols for the reporting of healthcare-associated infections. The web addresses for the protocols are listed below.

Health Care Associated Infections

Community Associated MRSA web address:

http://www.health.gov.nl.ca/health/publichealth/cdc/community_associated_MRSA.pdf

Healthcare-associated Infections Surveillance Protocols:

- Methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* surveillance protocol available at:
http://www.health.gov.nl.ca/health/publichealth/cdc/MRSA_surveillance_protocol_final.pdf
- *Clostridium difficile* infection surveillance protocol available at:
http://www.health.gov.nl.ca/health/publichealth/cdc/CDI_surveillance_protocol_final.pdf
- User Manual for HAI Database available at:
http://www.health.gov.nl.ca/health/publichealth/cdc/training_manual.pdf

9.2 Influenza Management

http://www.health.gov.nl.ca/health/publichealth/cdc/infoforpros_edu.html

9.3 Invasive Group A Streptococcal Disease Management

http://www.health.gov.nl.ca/health/publichealth/cdc/invasive_groupa_streptococcal_management.pdf

9.4 Invasive Meningococcal Disease Management

http://www.health.gov.nl.ca/health/publichealth/cdc/meningococcal_management.pdf

9.5 Antibiotic Resistant Organism Management

http://www.health.gov.nl.ca/health/publichealth/cdc/infectioncontrol/aro_policy_2012.pdf

9.6 Norovirus Management

http://www.health.gov.nl.ca/health/publichealth/cdc/norovirus_management.pdf

9.7 Occupational Health Screening for Communicable Diseases Management

http://www.health.gov.nl.ca/health/publichealth/cdc/Section_8_Immunization_for_Special_Populations.pdf

9.8 Pandemic Infection Prevention and Control Management

<http://www.health.gov.nl.ca/health/publichealth/pandemic/PreventionandControlofInfluenza2011.pdf>

9.9 Routine Practices and Additional Precautions

http://www.health.gov.nl.ca/health/publichealth/cdc/routine_practices_and_additional_precautions.pdf

9.10 Tuberculosis Management

http://www.health.gov.nl.ca/health/publichealth/cdc/tuberculosis_management.pdf