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HICPAC Infection Control Guidelines Survey

The Hospital Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee (HICPAC) advises the CDC on guideline development and other policy statements regarding the prevention of nosocomial infections. To address the needs of the infection control community further, HICPAC seeks input from SHEA members and other readers of SHEA News in identifying priority topics for future HICPAC/Hospital Infections Program infection control guidelines. Please complete the following survey.

SHEA Member since 19__ or Not a SHEA member ____
 Current job title: ____
 State in which you work: ____
 Type of facility/agency (check only one): ____ acute-care ____ long-term-care
 ____ home health ____ rehabilitation
 ____ other, specify ____
 Facility affiliation (check only one): ____ university-affiliated ____ community, teaching ____ community, nonteaching
 ____ other, specify ____
 Facility bed size: ____ <100 ____ 100-249 ____ 250-500 ____ >500
 Please rank the following topic areas by order of priority (1=least important; 11=most important).
 ____ Antimicrobial use and resistance
 ____ Creutzfeld-Jacob disease
 ____ Environmental issues and engineering controls
 ____ Handwashing
 ____ Infection control in ambulatory settings
 ____ Infection control during invasive procedures (eg, cardiac catheterization, interventional radiology, etc)
 ____ Preventing infections in immunocompromised patients
 ____ Prevention of urinary tract infections
 ____ Skin integrity and infection control (eg, burn patients)
 ____ Role of the microbiology laboratory in infection control
 ____ Other, specify ____
 For access to educational programs on the Internet/web, please indicate which, if any, of the following are available to you (please check all that apply):
 ____ 386 computer
 ____ 486 computer
 ____ Pentium computer
 ____ modem
 ____ other, specify ____
 ____ I have no means of accessing online educational programs

Please return the completed survey by April 15, 1998, to HICPAC Guidelines Survey, Attn: Michele L. Pearson, MD, CDC, Mailstop E-69, 1600 Clifton Rd NE, Atlanta, GA 30333; fax, 404-639-6458.

Reminder: SHEA Eighth Annual Scientific Meeting, April 5-7

The program for the SHEA Eighth Annual Scientific Meeting at the Hilton Walt Disney World Village in Orlando may be downloaded from the SHEA home page (<http://www.medscape.com/SHEA>) or obtained from SHEA meeting management at 609-423-0087 (fax, 609-423-3420). Although early (discounted) pre-registration closes on March 20, it is likely that registration for the workshops on April 4, as well as for the meeting, will be available on-site. (Please contact SHEA Meeting Management as soon as possible to assure your workshop space).