

Essentials of Infection Prevention and Control in Clinical Settings

2 – 29 March 2020



A four week interactive, facilitated online course providing up to date information on infection prevention and control issues and practices for nurses.

Topics covered include:

- Principles of infection control
- The role of the infection control nurse
- Staff health
- Waste management
- Policies and programs
- Accreditation
- Networking and resources available

Who should attend? Registered or enrolled nurses who are beginning practitioners in the field of infection prevention and control or who take some infection control responsibilities in the course of their work.

Requirements: Participants will need an email address and access to the internet and will be expected to spend approximately 3 hours per week for 4 weeks to complete the course. This course is counted as 12 hours of study, which may be counted towards continuing professional development within your discipline. There will be no set time to be on-line but participants are expected to log in each week to complete activities at a time that suits them.

Course Fees including GST: \$205.00

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The Albion Centre – Working towards the virtual elimination of HIV transmission by 2020 and the elimination of Hepatitis C as a public health threat by 2030

Learning outcomes:

At the end of the course it is anticipated that participants will be able to:

- Outline the principles of infection control
- Adopt antimicrobial stewardship recommendations
- Assess infection risks to improve patient care
- Identify strategies for infection prevention and control in their clinical setting
- Explain the role of the infection control nurse
- Develop a waste management program for their clinical setting
- Implement staff health strategies in relation to infection prevention and control
- Access appropriate policies and protocols for infection prevention and control
- Identify what is needed for a successful accreditation program
- Identify opportunities for networking and resources available to help infection prevention and control in their clinical setting

Course Outline and Schedule:

	Topic	Activities to complete
Week 1	Introduction <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Definitions and principles✓ Healthcare associated infections✓ Multi-resistant organisms✓ Risk assessment	Post introduction Discussion topic
Week 2	Strategies and techniques <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Standard precautions✓ Personal protective equipment✓ Hand hygiene	Discussion topic Quiz Sharps safety activity
Week 3	Roles and programs <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Waste management✓ Staff health	Discussion topic Environmental cleaning activity
Week 4	Standards and resources <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Accreditation✓ Networking and resources✓ Policies	Discussion topic Quiz

What others said about this course:

“I really enjoyed the 4 weeks. I have got a clear picture about infection control and prevention in clinical areas, especially the importance of hand hygiene and the consequences of HAI's”.

“We were given enough time over a week and at our own pace. Best to understand the scenarios and videos. Interesting quizzes. Forum discussions excellent - good to understand what others are experiencing.”