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Speaker:

Diane M. Bonifas C-NE, BSN, RN-BC has over 20 of nursing experience in long-term care. Graduate of St. Vincent School of Nursing in 1987, went on to receive her BSN from The Ohio State University in 2008. Diane's current position is Director of Clinical Services for HCF, Management Inc. since 1998 servicing the company's nine northern care communities. Duties include; survey readiness, writing and implementing nursing policies and procedures (including infection control), medical record review, orientation of new Directors of Nursing, nursing staff education, monitoring case mix scores, risk management by working with company's liability insurance carrier, and other duties assigned. For almost five years Diane has been an active participant in the Antibiotic Task Force Committee at the Allen County Health Department (ACHD). A sub-committee encompassing long-term care facilities and acute care hospitals in Allen, Auglaize, Mercer, and Van Wert Counties is chaired by Diane and a nurse from the ACHD meeting at least quarterly to discuss collaboration efforts for infection control.

Course Description:

Every individual who has a role in the care of the resident also plays a role in infection control, including the prevention and control of C diff. This session will review infection control regulations and what surveyors are looking for during annual survey. The mode of transmission for C. difficile, MRSA, influenza, Noro-like viruses, and VRE will be discussed, which helps understand related appropriate cleaning techniques. Standard precautions and transmission – based isolation precautions will be reviewed and why they are important to the entire team.

Objectives:

1. Review of CDC guidelines for Standard precautions and transmission based precautions.
2. Discuss current federal regulations regarding infection control F-441.
3. Review specific micro-organisms that are seen in long-term care facilities
 - a. C. difficile
 - b. MRSA and VRE
 - c. Influenza
 - d. Noro-like viruses/gastrointestinal illnesses

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