

OPEN OFFICE HOURS

Infection Prevention focused calls for Hospitals – May 22, 2024!

Thank you to everyone who joined us this week! Please know that we are available for any questions or concerns. Double check that the next call scheduled for June 26, 2024 is on your calendar, you'll use the same zoom link every month! If you would like to submit a question or suggest a discussion topic for next month's discussion ahead of time, please email lfitzgerald@kfmc.org.

May Spotlight: [Ice Machines](#) (slides & links to resources)

- Presented by Diane McReynolds, Healthcare-Associated Infections & Antimicrobial Resistance Section, Kansas Department of Health and Environment

KDHE HAI/AR Section Updates:

- Looking for more information on Infection Prevention, reach out to their team!
 - Email: kdhe.haiar@ks.gov
 - Request form: <https://forms.gle/nDsct1jh46TLMKX67>
- Have you noticed changes to the CDC website? This link provides additional information, such as what to expect, accessing older content and changing to URLs: <https://www.cdc.gov/about/cdc-moving-forward/newcdc-info.html>

NHSN Tips:

- [Instruction webpage to keep users up to date](#)
 - [Reassigning the NHSN Facility Administrator Role \[YouTube-5 min\]](#)
 - [How to Deactivate and Activate a User in the Facility \[YouTube-5 min\]](#)
- Step by step instructions for updating your email in SAMS and NHSN facilities:
 - <https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/pdfs/gen-support/edit-email-sams-facility-508.pdf>

NHSN Office Hours for AUR (this information was received after our call but thought it would be good to pass along even though we didn't discuss it!)

- This session is Wednesday, May 29: 2:00-3:00pm ET and will start with a presentation followed by Q&A with attendees.
- **Registration link:** https://cdc.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN_BKMFN0vTPOJTpNt-5ncAg



Upcoming Educational Opportunities:

- KHC is hosting an AUR webinar series. The first of the three part series was held May 21, 2024 and the remaining two sessions are June 4 and 18. [Download Event Flyer](#)
 - May 21, 2024 session and slides: <https://www.khconline.org/events/recordings>
 - Register for the remaining sessions of the series here: [register here](#)
- The national APIC conference in San Antonio is June 3-5. More information can be found here: <https://2024apic.eventscribe.net/>
- The Kansas City APIC chapter is hosting a fall conference on October 18, more information will be coming soon!

APIC, Join a chapter! Benefits of membership: [Benefits of APIC membership](#).

Kansas Chapter contacts: <https://apic.org/member-services/chapters/chapter-map/?state=KS>

- **APIC Chapter 009- Wichita Area:** Next meeting, July 16, 2024. For more information contact <https://community.apic.org/wichitaarea/home>
- **APIC Chapter 031- Greater Kansas City:** Next meeting, July 9, 2024. For more visit their website: <https://community.apic.org/greaterkansascity/home>
- **APIC Chapter 115-Heart of America:** Next roundtable, June 4, 2024, next meeting July 2, 2024. For more information contact the chapter Secretary, Lacy Bowman (lharelson@kumc.edu)

Open Discussion/Questions follow up:

What is the isolation period for Chicken Pox? Please see CDC's webpage for specific recommendations for healthcare workers: <https://www.cdc.gov/infection-control/hcp/healthcare-personnel-epidemiology-control/varicella.html>



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