

PEN OFFICE HOURS

Infection Prevention focused calls for Hospitals - **January 24, 2024!**

Thank you to those who joined us! Please know that we are available for any questions or concerns. Double check that the next call scheduled for February 28, 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.

January Spotlights

Loretta Fitzgerald: see these [slides](#) for updates on the following:

- PaTT monthly webinars
- NHSN ServiceNow
- Quality Reporting & Annual Survey Deadlines
- AUR

Cassie Stevenson: [Intro to KDHE HAI-AR Team and Services](#)

AHRQ Safety Program for Telemedicine: Improving Antibiotic Use!

- Sign up for informational webinars or read the details by visiting the [Join the Program page](#) and check out the [frequently asked questions](#).

COHRA Healthcare Associated Infection Outbreak Notification Framework

- one page summary: https://www.corha.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/11/HAI-Patient-Notification-Framework-one-pager_Oct-2023.pdf
- Full document (17 pages), <https://www.corha.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/04/Framework-for-HAI-Outbreak-Notification.pdf>

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
 - Meetings are typically 3rd Tuesday of the month, except for June and December (no meeting). Past year have been virtual but starting to offer hybrid meetings.

- APIC Chapter 031- Greater Kansas City
 - Meetings are typically 2nd Tuesday of the month 1p-3p; rotated to different locations in the Greater Kansas City area.
- APIC Chapter 115-Heart of America
 - Meetings are bi-monthly on the 1st Tuesday, odd months. Most meetings are hybrid-in person offering is rotated to different locations throughout the chapter.
 - Roundtable sharing zoom sessions are bi-monthly on the 1st Tuesday, even months

Open Discussion

AUR-What do I need to do if my data is not yet ready but our vendor is working on it?

- This is a recording of education hosted by the South Dakota Foundation for Medical Care that I have found to be very helpful: [NHSN AUR Recording 11/09/23](#), Passcode: *5NGmJCq, ([slides](#))
- Sign up for the AUR Open Office Hours call AUR Open Office Hours (February 7, 2024 – 1:00pm CT). Attendees will also have the opportunity to ask questions of the presenters.
https://cdc.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN_PGRN_BusT5u8clEossvug#/registration

CRE-For an organism to be considered CRE, does it have to be resistant to all carbapenems or just one?

- <https://www.kdhe.ks.gov/DocumentCenter/View/14254/Carbapenem-Resistant-Organism-Submission-Guidelines-PDF>
- <https://www.cdc.gov/hai/organisms/cre/technical-info.html#Definition>
- <https://www.cdc.gov/hai/organisms/cre/cre-clinicians.html>



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