Decolonization QAPI Program(Quality Assurance and Performance Improvement)



NURSING HOME NAME

Decolonization QAPI Program Universal Plan of Care

- Due to evidence that over half of nursing home residents harbor multidrug-resistant organisms (MDROs), our facility has adopted an infection prevention QAPI program called SHIELD.
- As part of this initiative, our nursing home uses an antiseptic soap for bathing and showering and applies topical iodine to the nose to reduce MDROs.
- This approach has been proven in several multi-center clinical trials to reduce MDROs and bloodstream infections. These products are available over-the-counter and their safety profile is excellent.
- Because most residents who have MDROs are asymptomatic and because MDROs can be contagious, especially in long term care settings where social interaction among residents is encouraged, we apply this decolonization as best practice for all residents as a standard nursing protocol provided per the admission agreement
- The universal care plan for our QAPI program is outlined below. All residents are notified of this QAPI program on admission via a written handout and all residents have the right to refuse:

PROBLEM/NEED	RESIDENT GOALS	APPROACH PLAN		
Nursing home residents	Reduce asymptomatic carriage	Use chlorhexidine soap (CHG) on		
have more than 5-fold the	of MDROs	admission and for routine bathing		
amount of multi-drug		and showering for all residents		
resistant organisms	Reduce hospital transfers due			
(MDROs), such as MRSA,	to healthcare-associated	Use nasal iodophor decolonization		
as compared to hospitals.	infections (HAIs)	on admission and M-F every other		
		week for all residents		
Recent estimates show		week for an residents		
that 64% of nursing home				
residents harbor at least		Refer to SHIELD for Nursing		
one MDRO		Protocol		

RESIDENT NAME: _		
ATTENDING MD: _	 	