

Petersburg Medical Center

Infection Prevention and Control Report January 2024

Workforce Wellness

There have been no changes in staffing.

Community Engagement

Process Improvement Project: I completed my project of scanning all paper employee health records into electronic storage. This project allows me to organize and store the records so they are easily accessible, searchable and immediately available, even remotely. Some of these records must be kept for 30 years after the employee leaves PMC, so it saves an incredible amount of space in storage, as well as improves efficiency in filing, finding, and sharing documents.

2023 Employee Health

PMC Staff influenza vaccine: 80% current PMC Staff Covid vaccine: 5% up to date

PMC Respiratory Program: 100% of staff required to wear an N-95 respirator have been fit tested within 1 year. Bloodborne Pathogen Exposures: No PMC employee exposures. 1 contract employee (non-sharps related).

Patient Centered Care

2023 Hand Hygiene Compliance: Last month we implemented Safety Culture, a more robust tool, for hand hygiene audits. We can track compliance by area, role, and specific staff member so we will be able to address non-compliance issues more effectively. Observation is an imperfect system and likely underreports compliance as the observer does not always follow the staff member in the room and may miss hand hygiene that occurs out of sight. Goals for 2024 are to roll out the system to all clinical departments and to increase rates to at least 75%.

LTC: 66%

Acute Care: 70%

LTC 2023 Infection Metrics:

Urinary Tract Infections (UTI): 3

Catheter associated Urinary Tract Infections (CAUTI): 2

Clostridium Difficile infections: 0

Covid-19 infections: 13 Influenza infections: 1

Current Residents

LTC Resident Flu Shots: All residents offered vaccines, 85% up to date.

LTC Covid Vaccine 2023-2024 booster: All residents offered vaccines, 77% up to date.

LTC Pneumococcal Vaccine: All residents offered vaccines, 80% are up to date.

Facility

The Eco-lab representative came to PMC and was unable to dilute the products any more. The EVS staff decided they wanted to use up the existing stock before transitioning to a different product.

The wooden handrails in the hallways are being refinished to decrease the infection control risk of unfinished wood, patchy finish (can be a collection point for debris) and general aesthetics.

Financial Wellness No changes have occurred in this area.
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