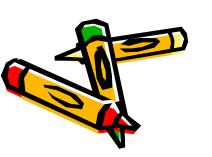


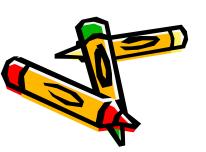
Infection Control Fun



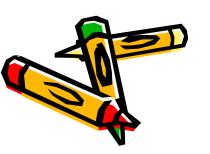
You are visiting a friend who has just had surgery while the surgeon is making rounds. You see the physician put on gloves and then inspect your friend's wound. When he is finished, he does not remove the gloves or perform hand hygiene. Instead, he goes over to inspect the wound of the person in the next bed.



- 1) Ignore him
- 2) Ask the physician to perform hand hygiene and explain that you're concerned about the possible spread of infection between patients
- 3) Report him to the medical director

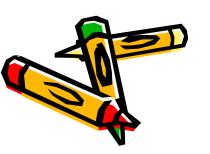


You are a charge nurse on med/surg unit and notice that the computer keyboard is visibly soiled. You step away to get disinfectant wipes to clean the keys. When you return, a nurse is at the computer typing.

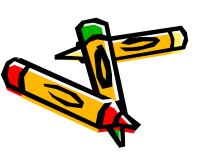


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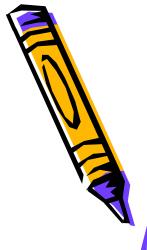
As you watch, the nurse picks up a patient chart, makes a note, and then returns to the keyboard. When she is finished typing, the nurse walks away from the computer and enters a patient room.



- 1) Educate the nurse and other staff about preventing cross contamination.
- 2) Call the infection control preventionist and report her
- 3) Tell her to wash her hands
- 4) Clean and disinfect the keyboard

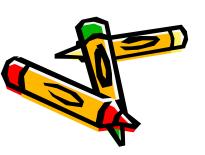


You are a hospital infection control nurse and receive a call from a local long-term care facility nurse requesting guidance for a patient infected with MRSA. That same day, you receive a call from the public health department communicable disease nurse with questions about several MRSA cases diagnosed at your facility. The CD nurse shares that seven cases of MRSA have been reported to the local health department this week.

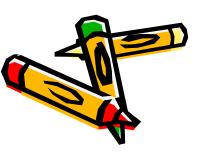


What should WE do?

WE = hospital infection control, long term care providers, and local and state health departments



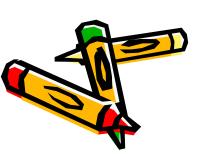
You work as a infection control preventionist at Moonbeam Nursing Home. You are making rounds on Unit 1 and the charge nurse reports 6 cases of diarrhea on the unit. You also heard the Dir. Of Nursing say "Oh dear, and we're short of staff. Four CNA's have called in sick..."



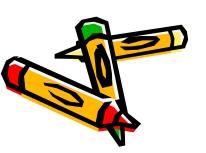
- 1) Begin surveillance
- 2) Initiate Contact Isolation and Standard Precautions
- 3) Educate and monitor hand washing, PPE use, and optimize environmental cleaning
- 4) Call the media and provide them data
- 5) Call the medical director to prescribe antibiotics as a precautionary step
- 6) Close the unit to visitors, admits, and discharges



You are a local health department communicable disease nurse and receive a call from the school sports director who says his best team player was told he has "a contagious lesion". Two other kids have a "weird" rash too.



- Discuss this situation with the medical director
- Work with the school to provide education to students and parents
- Collaborate with your local hospital infection control personnel
- Learn as much information as you can about MRSA



Lessons learned...

- We must work together to capture opportunities to provide education
- We can work together to reduce health care acquired infections
- We all are compelled to prevent infections



Thank You!



