

IHS will be hosting a training session on April 2-3, 2019, at the Nashville Area Office on Infection Control and Prevention. Other areas have made this training available to tribal programs and we would like to offer the same. Please feel free to send out to our tribal partners. It has been made mandatory for our service unit's select staff such as CEOs, clinical directors, nurse supervisors, and infection control and dental officers. The training is free and participants would cover their own travel. CEUs are also being provided.

If you wouldn't mind, please feel free to share the training session. We realize it is short notice but a top priority for IHS and may be for tribal partners as well. The registration link is available at: <https://www.ihs.gov/ehsc/classes/>

Please contact Dr. Gloria Grim (gloria.grim@ihs.gov) if you have any questions.

Thank you,

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Dear Nashville Area Employees,

We are pleased to announce a wonderful opportunity. We will be hosting an IHS specific Centers for Disease Control Training in Infection Control and Prevention on April 2-3 at the Nashville Area Office. This training is specifically geared toward our sites. The two day training session will focus on infection prevention and control for healthcare settings. The training sessions will include lecture, skills checks, table-top exercises, and discussion. The areas of training will include:

- * principles of infection prevention and control,
- * roles and responsibilities of the infection control committee,
- * education of leadership on infection prevention and control,
- * risk recognition and risk management,
- * environmental infection control,
- * application of infection control assessment tools,
- * setting specific infection prevention and control considerations, and
- * healthcare associated infection outbreak response in outpatient care table top exercise.

You will have the opportunity to gain individual CEU's as well as meet AAAHC requirements for your infection control and prevention staff.

Since we are fortunate to get this opportunity, I will be making it mandatory for the CEOs, Clinical Directors, Nurse Supervisors, Chief Dental Officers, and Infection Control Officers. Other staff such as environmental/facilities/safety staff, other clinical staff and administrative staff are welcome to attend. I realize that this is short notice and some patients will have to be rescheduled, but this is important to fulfilling our commitment to providing high quality care in a safe environment. Below is the Indian Health Service Environmental Health Support Center (EHSC) registration link to the upcoming training: <https://www.ihs.gov/ehsc/classes/>