

We appreciate any information you are able to share!

The information provided will be held confidential. • No names of persons and institutions will be attached to the survey information. • The information you provide will only be used to improve our understanding of infection prevention and control related processes in Canada in for the purpose of improving our own systems.

If you have any questions you are welcome to call:

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- Instructions:
- Click on the boxes to indicate your selections
  - Click and start typing to enter your comments in the fields: "[Click here to enter text.](#)"

## How is infection prevention and control (IPC) audited, monitored, evaluated in your province?

The Health Standards Compliance IPC Unit at Alberta Health is currently doing some research into how infection prevention and control is being implemented and monitored in other provinces. We look forward to hearing about IPC in your province.

### The authority to audit IPC practices in your province...

1. Is the authority to monitor IPC or conduct IPC inspections in your province noted in health legislation (for example a Health Act, Regional Health Authority Act, Hospital Act, etc.)?

Health Act      Hospital Act      Other (please specify):

2. Has your province legislated any specific IPC regulations?

Standards      Regulations      Directives      Other (please specify):

3. Has your province referenced any of the following MDR or IPC standards/guidelines in legislation?

CSA      ORNAC      IPAC      PHAC      Other (please specify):

4. Do IPC personnel working with your Province, Regional Health Authorities or Health Services promote the best practices of the following organizations in information manuals or IPC training programs?

CSA Standards      ORNAC      IPAC      PHAC      Other (please specify):

5. What is the purpose or scope of internal best practice guidelines?

Yes      No      If yes, please specify:

6. What is the scope of IPC best practices in your province?

Medical Device Reprocessing      Housekeeping      Facilities Management      Biological Hazards  
WHMS      Personal Protective Equipment      AROs      Other (please specify):

7. Do health service providers have formal policies for IPC, and if so at which level are such policies created?

Ministry      Health Authority      Facility Personnel      Other (please specify):

### Checks and balances in place to ensure that IPC practices are being are implemented and improved...

8. Who audits IPC practices in acute care and other health service providers in your province?

Ministry      Health Authority      Facility Personnel      Other (please specify):

9. Where (in which health care settings) are IPC audits carried out in your province?

Publicly funded acute care settings  
term/ continuing/supportive living care  
Other (please specify):

Privately funded acute care settings  
Privately funded long-term/ continuing/ supportive living care

Publicly funded long-term/ continuing/supportive living care

10. How often are IPC practices in the above noted health care services settings audited in your province?

11. What is the impetus for the above noted auditing or inspection groups or individuals to go out to monitor IPC?

Auditing is conducted on a regular basis  
complaints

Risk Assessment Matrix  
Other type of indicator (please specify):

In response to concerns or

12. How often are IPC practices enforced in health care services settings audited in your province?

13. Is incident reporting mandatory in your province?

Yes No If yes, please specify the process(es) involved:

14. Is public reporting a practice in your province? If so, what types of data are made available to the public?

Communicable Disease Hand Hygiene Other (please specify):  
Also, please specify how the data is made available to the public (i.e. website, newsletters)

15. What kind of IPC data surveillance/collection is done in your province?

Communicable Disease Surveillance Hand Hygiene Other (please specify):

16. Is the data analyzed and evaluated for a specific purpose?

17. Are the results of the data shared?

Yes No With whom?

18. If so, how is the data used?

To assess the effectiveness of IPC programs  
In the creation of educational materials

Planning for quality improvements in IPC practices  
Other (please specify):

**Thank you for your responses... confidential**

Can we contact you if we need to clarify the information you have provided?

Yes No

Name:

Preferred phone contact number or email address:

**Other comments...**