



CLABSI ElIMINATION PROJECT: Targeting zero

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Impact of CLABSI

- In the US it has been estimated that 80,000 central line-associated bloodstream infections (CLABSIs) occur in intensive care units (ICUs) each year ¹.
- However, if patients outside of ICUs are also included, the estimate increases to 250,000 cases of CLABSI each year².
- A mortality rate due to CLABSI **12-25%**
- A more recent report from the CDC showed some encouraging improvement in these numbers³

¹Mermel, An. Int. Med 2000. ²Maki et al., Mayo Clin Proc 2006. ³MMWR Vital Signs, Mar 2011 (http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/pdf/wk/mm6008.pdf)

CLABSI reduction Initiative USA¹:

- A 70% reduction in CLABSI was demonstrated in the large-scale regional and statewide projects:
 - The Pittsburgh Regional Healthcare Initiative
 - The Michigan Keystone Project
- How was this achieved ?
 - Adherence to recommended best-practices
 - Financial and leadership support
 - Improved education
 - Packaging prevention recommendations into practice bundles
 - Increased data monitoring and feedback
 - Improvement of the safety culture in health-care, and
 - local and statewide collaborative prevention efforts.
 - Setting goals

¹MMWR Vital Signs, Mar 2011 (http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/pdf/wk/mm6oo8.pdf

Sources for CLABSIs

Potential routs of infection



PATHOGENS ASSOCIATED WITH CLA-BSIs: NHSN, 2006-2007



Hidron AI, et al. ICHE 2008;29:996-1011

COMPLICATIONS OF CLABSIs

- Local infection
 - Tunnel infection, pocket infection
- Sepsis
- Remote site infection
 - Osteomyelitis
 - Meningitis
- Endovascular infection
 - Endocarditis
 - Mycotic aneurysms (septic thrombophlebitis)

Emboli to the retina



Gangrene



cellulitis



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Peripheral emboli to the skin



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The National Guard Initiative

Crude estimate of ICU CLABSI at KAMC-R

- During a period of 15 months, 25 CLABSIs were encountered.
- In reference to APIC's "burden of HAIs model", the burden of these 25 CLABSIs would result in:
 - Additional 175 ICU days
 - Additional cost of 3,425,454 SAR (915,900 \$)

CLABSI: Targeting Zero...... Is it feasible?

- CLABSI can be prevented through proper management of the central line. These techniques are addressed in the CDC's Healthcare Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee (CDC/HIPAC)
 - Guidelines for the Prevention of Intravascular Catheter Related Infections"
- Keystone report ¹: demonstrated phenomenal reduction in CLA-BSI in ICUs in 48 Michigan hospitals (med 2.7 to 0/1,000).
- In 2010 we had achieved success in reaching zero in our NICU²

Examples of fishbone diagrams to help us better understand CLABSI event



STRATEGIES TO PREVENT CLABSI IN ACUTE CARE HOSPITALS

Best practices (At insertion)

- Use a catheter checklist (B-II)
- Perform hand hygiene before catheter insertion (B-II)
- Avoid the femoral for access (A-I)
- In adults, preferentially use the subclavian vein (A-I)
- Use an all-inclusive catheter kit or cart (B-II)
- Use maximal sterile barrier precautions (mask, cap, sterile gown, sterile gloves; cover patient with a large sterile drape)(A-I)
- Use CHG antiseptic (CHG-alcohol) for skin preparation (A-I)

Marschall J, et al. ICHE 2008;29 (suppl 1):S22-S30

STRATEGIES TO PREVENT CLABSI IN ACUTE CARE HOSPITALS

- Approaches that should not be considered routine
 - Do not use antimicrobial prophylaxis for short-term or tunneled catheters (A-I)
 - Do not routinely replace CVCs or arterial catheters (A-1)
 - Do not routinely use positive-pressure needleless connectors with mechanical valves (B-II)
- Unresolved issues
 - Nurse-to-patient ratio in the ICU
 - IV therapy teams for reducing CLABSI rates
 - Surveillance of other types of catheters

Maintenance

 Low compliance with hub decontamination

- Unnecessary CL
- Inappropriate dressing technique

Needle free mechanical valve – PP

• Co-Morbidity illnesses

Risk factors

• **Tremendous** use of broad spectrum antibiotics

• LOS

rates • Ne

High

CLABSI

Non-optimal site selection without justification

- Some HCWs are afraid to stop a physician not adhering to aseptic technique
 - Emergency situation without aseptic technique
 - Inappropriate sterile drape

• improper use of PPE

•Poor preparation for CVL insertion

Insertion

•Poor technique





Figure 2. Time to CLABSI as Reported by Pennsylvania NHSN Facilities in 2010: Insertion versus Maintenance



Concerns for the future

- Further efforts to identifying RF for CLABSI.
- Identifying best practices to maintain success stories in keeping low rates or even better no CLABSI.
- Evaluating the possibility of CLABSI eradication in non ICU areas:
 - There were 23,000 CLABSIs in non-ICU inpatient wards, which supports the on-going concern that the majority of CLABSIs are occurring outside of ICUs.
 - CDC also estimates that, in 2008 alone, 37,000 CLABSIs occurred among patients receiving outpatienthemodialysis.¹

¹MMWR Vital Signs, Mar 2011.

Concerns for the future and how to start.....

Institute for healthcare improvement IHI white paper 15: Execution of strategic improvement initiatives-15



August 2013 reassesment

Activities/interventions at KAMC evolved around 3 areas:

- **1**. Assessing the culture: perception surveys were conducted
- 2. Assess the infrastructure: required materials, tools, equipment, carts, etc...
- 3. Redesigning the system to help reach our goals

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Thank you for your attention