

## PARTNERSHIP FOR PATIENTS-NJHIIN UPDATES

The New Jersey Hospital Improvement Innovation Network (NJHIIN) is recruiting hospitals to join the national collaborative “States Targeting Reduction in Infections Via Engagement (STRIVE).”

Beginning April 1, this 12-month initiative, led by the American Hospital Association’s Health Research and Educational Trust and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, is aimed at hospitals working to reduce *C. difficile* and other healthcare-associated infections (HAIs) such as MRSA, CAUTI & CLABSI by improving basic infection prevention practices and implementation of HAI-specific interventions.

New Jersey Hospital Association, working collaboratively with the New Jersey Department of Health, will provide support to hospitals as they participate in infection prevention (ICAR) assessments, HAI prevention educational programming and action planning using the CDC’s Targeted Assessment for Prevention strategy.

To learn more about this initiative or to register to join the STRIVE collaborative, click [here](#).

To view the Feb. 21 “Hospital Informational Call” webinar, click [here](#).

### HENtrack DATA REMINDER

Please remember to enter your February 2017 data for the following areas of harm:

- Adverse Drug Events - Warfarin Events
- Falls and Pressure Ulcers (*for those hospitals that do not submit to NDNQI*)

**Link to HENtrack data portal:**

<https://hentrack.njha.com/Account/Logon>

*(Please enter data going back to January 2015 so we may have a continuous trend of your progress.)*

## SPOTLIGHT ON SAFETY

### New Jersey Sepsis Learning and Action Collaborative 2017 Update

As a Hospital Improvement Innovation Network (HIIN), NJHA is happy to announce the continuance of its Sepsis Learning and Action Collaborative into 2017.

The Collaborative’s areas of focus will continue on improving the early identification and treatment of sepsis as well as expanding to identify strategies to prevent sepsis-related readmissions and engaging patients and their families in sepsis awareness and prevention.

NJHA will continue to provide hospitals with the quarterly sepsis mortality reports. For consistency, the sepsis process measures collected under this collaborative will align with what hospitals are currently reporting to CMS.

To learn more about the 2017 New Jersey sepsis improvement efforts, please participate in NJHA’s next webinar, **April 19 at 1 p.m.** N.J. sepsis faculty leads, Dr. Phil Dellinger, MCCM, and Christa Schorr, RN, MSN, FCCM, will be presenting recent updates to the *2016 Surviving Sepsis Guidelines* as well as collaborative goals and updates for the upcoming year.

Click [here](#) to register for this webinar.



## MEET YOUR NJHA HIInnovators!



### Soniya Sheth

Soniya Sheth is a clinical quality improvement specialist for NJHA's Health Research and Educational Trust located in Princeton, N.J. She graduated from the University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing with her Bachelor of Science in Nursing and later obtained her Masters of Science in Nursing from Rutgers University. Today, Soniya divides her time between NJHA and as a practicing pediatric nurse practitioner.

Soniya brings to NJHA her clinical expertise in caring for children of all ages - from birth to young adults. She has the unique perspective to see the impact of quality improvement around patient safety and education.

At NJHA, Soniya's primary tasks include projects associated with the Partnership for Patients – NJ campaign. As part of the NJHIIN and in collaboration with the N.J. Council of Children's Hospitals, she coordinates the Children's Collaborative on Safe Imaging. This initiative focuses on building education and informative webinars to highlight the dangers of ionizing radiation due to unnecessary CT imaging to the pediatric population.

Soniya's previous projects at NJHA focused on adverse drug events. She teamed up with leaders and experts in the fields of anticoagulation therapy, insulin therapy and opioid management to bring dialogue around these areas of harm to the forefront through webinars and discussions.

Prior to joining NJHA, Soniya was part of the Women's & Children's leadership team at Virtua Voorhees and has more than 15 years of clinical pediatric experience.

## UPCOMING NJHIIN OFFERINGS

### Webinars

Call-in numbers for all webinars:

1-877-668-4490 / 1-408-792-6300

#### NJHA Antimicrobial Stewardship Collaborative

- April 13, 12 noon EST
    - "Drug Expertise: The Pharmacists' Role and Innovative Strategies"
- Presenter: Pari Ali, PharmD, *critical care/ID pharmacist, Deborah Heart and Lung Center*  
Event address for attendees: [Register Here](#)

#### NJHA Antimicrobial Stewardship Collaborative for LTCs

- April 19, 12 noon EST
    - "CDC Core Elements of Antibiotic Stewardship for Nursing Homes"
- Presenter: Sarah Kabbani, MD, MSc, *medical officer, Office of Antibiotic Stewardship, Division of Healthcare Quality Promotion, CDC.*  
Event address for attendees: [Register Here](#)

#### NJHA Sepsis Collaborative

- April 19, 1 p.m. EST
    - "N.J. Sepsis Learning-Action Collaborative"
- Presenters: Dr. Dellinger and Christa Schorr, RN  
Event address for attendees: [Register Here](#)

#### HAI Webinar Series

Series Presenter: Linda Greene, RN, MPS, CIC, *University of Rochester Medical Center, president of APIC*

- April 25, 1 p.m. EST
    - "The Power of ZERO: HAI Kills – TAP Reports"
- Event address for attendees: [Register Here](#)



## In Case You Missed It

To access the select previously recorded webinars, click on the links below:

- March 9: NJHA Antimicrobial Stewardship Collaborative Webinar – Leadership Commitment and Accountability – [PLAY RECORDING](#)
- March 16: The Power of ZERO: HAI Kills - VAE – [PLAY RECORDING](#)
- March 17: Assessing Risk for VTE in Hospitalized Patients – [PLAY RECORDING](#)
- March 20: Patient and Family Engagement: Internal Champions and Family Faculty – [PLAY RECORDING](#)

