ABOUT THE INSTITUTE

The National Institute of Health and Family Welfare is a premier autonomous Institute, funded by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India.

NIHFW serves as an apex 'technical institute' as well as a 'think tank' to promote national health and family welfare programmes in the country through education and training, research and evaluation, consultancy and advisory services, specialized projects, etc.

In India, the National Guidelines for Infection Prevention and Control in Healthcare Facilities formulated and amended time to time by the Ministry of Health and Family welfare are being implemented at all levels of health care facilities. Though the guidelines have improved patient health outcomes, the uneven implementation of these guidelines has posed a great challenge in reducing the infection rates. At present, for providing better and safer health care facilities for its patients and personnel, Indian hospitals have constituted a committee of infection control involving health care workers from all sections of the hospital, headed by the head of the institute. The infection control Nurses in hospitals help to prevent and identify the spread of infectious agents like bacteria and viruses in a healthcare environment. They effectively communicate best practices to their colleagues to ensure the safety of patients.

ACCOMODATION

For outstation participants moderate hostel accommodation would be provided within the NIHFW campus.

COURSE COORDINATING TEAM

Course Coordinator : Prof. Nanthini Subbiah
Course Co-Coordinator : Dr. Sneha Mishra
Dr. Vaishali Jaiswal

LAST DATE FOR RECEIVING NOMINATIONS

5th December, 2026

(Participants are requested to make travel plans on receipt of confirmation from NIHFW for participation)

BANK DETAILS

There is a course fee of Rs.5000/- per participant which can be paid through online. The bank details for online payment is as follow:

Name of the Beneficiary : Director, NIHFW, New Delhi
Bank Name & Branch : SBI, NIHFW, Munirka, New Delhi
Account No. : 43901234540
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Training on Leadership in Infection Prevention and Control for Nursing Professionals

7th -11th December, 2026

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INTRODUCTION

Hospital-acquired infections (HAIs) are one of the major challenges to patient safety and have serious public health implications by changing the quality of life of patients and sometimes causing disability or even death. In addition to health consequences, these infections also contribute a significant economic burden for the individual, family and health system due to prolonged stay in the hospital. A large percentage of these infections are preventable through effective infection prevention and control (IPC) measures.

Leadership is an important part of a successful Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) programme. These skills can affect positive change in an IPC team, other leaders and health care staff, and lead to sustainable IPC programmes. Successful leaders can contribute to infection prevention actions through the implementation of standard guidelines effectively.

GENERAL OBJECTIVE

To strengthen the leadership skills of the nursing professionals in prevention and control of infection so as to reduce the percentage of infection rate in Health Facilities.

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVE

At the end of the training course the participants will be able to:

- Identify the importance of infection prevention and control (IPC) in health facilities.
- Demonstrate knowledge of key IPC principles and practices including: Health care associated infections (HAI)
- Discuss the characteristics, leadership styles and roles & responsibilities of an IPC leader
- Explain the importance of communication and counseling skills in IPC.
- Describe the process of monitoring and supervision in IPC
- Discuss the management of conflict in IPC
- Apply the principles of Infection control practices in the health facility.
- Apply the principles of Occupational Health and safety in their work place.

TRAINING METHODOLOGY

A participatory approach will be adopted throughout the course with

- Lecture Discussion
- Demonstration and hands on practice
- Role Play
- Case Study
- Group Work
- Field Visit

The participants would be required to prepare checklist/ Guidelines on various topics related to IPC such as sharp injury prevention, Outbreak management, Tools for evaluation of infection control practices etc.

COURSE CONTENT

- Why is IPC critically important
- Health care associated infections (types, transmission, prevention and bundle approach of HAI, Antimicrobial policy and antimicrobial stewardship)
- Nursing Leadership in IPC
- Characteristics of an IPC Leader
- Roles & responsibilities of IPC leader
- Different styles of leadership
- Infection prevention and control processes, practices, policies and procedures
- Importance of Communication skills in IPC
- Conflict Management in IPC
- Hospital Infection Control Committee (HICC), Surveillance and documentation of HAIs
- Monitoring and supervision in IPC
- Environmental management practices
- Occupational Health and safety: staff health, hygiene and immunization, safe work practices, exposure management, need for Training and education of healthcare workers
- Biomedical waste Management

NATURE OF PARTICIPANTS

Mid level nursing administrators comprising of Deputy/ Asst. Director of Nursing from the State Directorate of Health, Nursing Suptd/ Dy.Nsg.Suptd /Asst.Nsg.Suptd from Various Hospitals, Nurse Educators from various Health Institutions and District Public Health Nurse Administrators

NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS

20-30 Participants

TRAINING OUTCOME

The course will be helpful in

- Developing leadership skills in IPC
- Increased percentage of adherence to guidelines and protocols related to IPC
- In reducing the percentage of infection rate in Health Facilities

DURATION

5 Days (7th – 11th December, 2026)

COURSE FEE

There will be a course fee of Rs. 5000/- per participant need to be paid through online banking

VENUE

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