

INsight Risk Assessment for Outbreak Preparedness

A Fast, effective way to assess risks

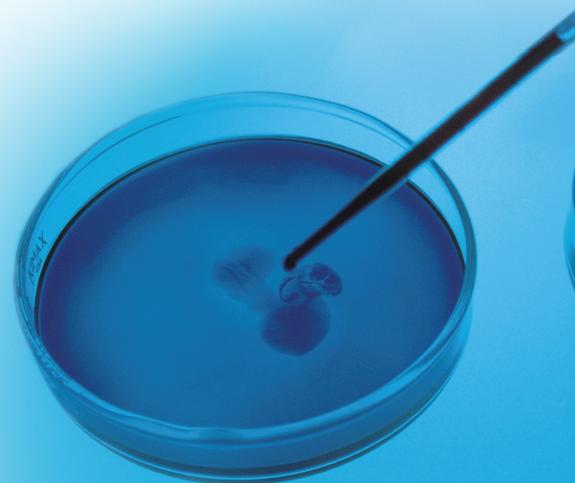
ECRI Institute's web-based risk assessment survey provides perspectives from the front-line to leadership to help your organization assess the degree of preparedness for infectious outbreaks (e.g., influenza, measles, Ebola). Reports are generated based on survey results to help identify problems so you can focus on improvements.

Sample questions addressed in the web-based survey:

- ▶ How effective is your facility's method for communicating critical information about emerging infections that could cause an influx of patients? (Communications)
- ▶ How familiar are you with our facility's procedure for routine disinfection of frequently-touched environmental surfaces in patient-care areas? (Disinfection and sterilization)
- ▶ Our facility has a plan for obtaining additional personal protective equipment, if needed during an infection outbreak. (Emergency management)
- ▶ How familiar are you with the process for transporting specimens that are suspected of containing a highly infectious organism? (Environment of care)
- ▶ Disposable products are used in our facility, when possible to prevent cross-contamination. (Infection prevention and control)
- ▶ Personal protective equipment worn during care of a highly infectious patient is disinfected before removal if visibly contaminated. (Isolation precautions)
- ▶ Criteria have been developed to determine when elective admissions should be cancelled during an outbreak of infectious disease. (Leadership and management)
- ▶ Our facility has dedicated capital equipment available to care for the patient with a highly infectious disease whose care is restricted to an isolation room. (Provision of care)
- ▶ How effective was the training you received for properly putting on respiratory protection? (Staff education and training)
- ▶ When initial screening reveals that a patient is at increased risk for a highly infectious disease, the patient is separated from other patients in the waiting area. (Surveillance)

Key areas:

Communications
Disinfection/sterilization
Emergency management
Environment of care
Infection prevention/control
Isolation precautions
Leadership/management
Provision of care
Staff education/training
Surveillance



Take the first step to prepare for an infectious outbreak.

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