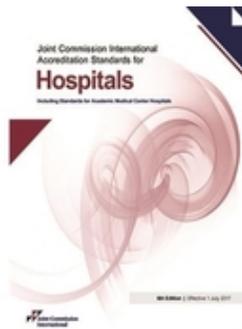


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6th Edition In-Depth: Staff Health and Safety – Immunizations



Each month we highlight a section of the 6th edition hospital standards. This series of articles provides a closer look at areas of concern for JCI-accredited hospitals and any health care organization focused on patient safety and quality improvement.

Standard SQE.8.2.1 *The hospital identifies staff who are at risk for exposure to and possible transmission of vaccine-preventable diseases and implements a staff vaccination and immunization program.*

More than three million people worldwide die each year from vaccine-preventable diseases, many of which are prevalent in health care organizations. The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (USA) compiled data from multiple sources to calculate the global incidence of a variety of vaccine-preventable diseases, specifically some of the more common contagious diseases found in hospitals. Here are global statistics as of March 2018.

<u>Disease</u>	<u>Annual Worldwide Cases</u>	<u>Annual Worldwide Deaths</u>
Hepatitis A	1.4 million	unavailable
Hepatitis B	2 billion	1 million
Haemophilus influenza type b (Hib)	7-8 million	199,000
Influenza	3-5 million severe cases	290,000–650,000
Measles	132,000	90,000
Pertussis	24 million	160,700
Pneumococcus	14.5 million	826,000

Many health care workers have an increased risk of exposure to and possible transmission of vaccine-preventable diseases. Infections from individuals who are asymptomatic are very common, particularly in the health care field. Studies show health care practitioners often report to work even when they are not feeling well.

Click [here](#) to read the full article.

September brings popular education event to Prague



Foundations of Accreditation for hospital leaders and staff is scheduled for [Prague \(5-7 September\)](#). During this three-day event, participants will learn the critical steps necessary to successfully launch a JCI accreditation journey and how to improve quality through the JCI process of continuous, top-to-bottom performance improvement.

Dubai Programs in October and November have CPD Credits

Our Dubai educational events now offer Dubai Healthcare City Authority Regulatory (DHCR) Continuing Professional Development (CPD) credits. This applies to the [Quality Skills Course](#) in October and both the [International Practicum](#) and [Accreditation Update](#) in November.

JCI leadership featured at HMA 2018 in Bangkok



JCI President and CEO Paula Wilson will present the opening plenary session at Hospital Management Asia (HMA) 2018. “Are we overbuilding?” will take place at the start of the conference on Thursday, 13 September, 9:15 – 9:50 a.m.

Ms. Wilson will also host the perennially popular JCI CEO Forum on Thursday, 13 September, 2:30 – 4:00 p.m. This year’s theme, “Integrated care: Is your hospital future-ready?” will feature a panel of distinguished speakers from the Middle East and Asia-Pacific.

Click [here](#) to learn more about Paula Wilson.



JCI Vice President of Accreditation, Standards, and Measurement Paul Chang will also speak at HMA 2018. Dr. Chang’s session “How facilities design affects patient safety and quality” will address what constitutes a sustainable health care facility that can positively impact improved patient outcomes. Don’t miss this exciting session on Thursday, 13 September, 2:30 – 4:00 p.m.

Dr. Chang will also speak about the challenges and benefits hospitals commonly face as they prepare for accreditation during his presentation titled, “How accreditation can impact commercial outcomes” on Friday, 14 September, 2:20 – 4:00 p.m.

Click [here](#) to learn more about Paul Chang.

JCI Principal Consultant Thomas Kozlowski will present a special interest session



titled, “What is a patient safety culture and challenges in creating one” on Friday, 14 September, 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Mr. Kozlowski will also speak on “Motivating employees to increase patient satisfaction” on Friday, 14 September, 2:30 – 4:00 p.m.

Click [here](#) to learn more about Thomas Kozlowski.

Register for a free webinar “Getting the Board on Board”



JCI European Region Principal Consultant Francine Westergaard will present a complimentary webinar titled, “Getting the Board on Board: Leadership Commitment to Quality Improvement and Patient Safety” on 28 August. She will discuss how to get your health care leadership team excited about the accreditation process and how it will help

reshape the entire organization for the better. Click [here](#) to register for this complimentary webinar.

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