

Editorial

How Housekeeper Is Affected the Infection Prevention and Control in Health Care Facilities

Ahmed Baggashi*

Health Education Specialist, Head of Saudi Health Education Team, Saudi Arabia

Editorial

The infection control team is working to educate and train health care workers, especially nursing and doctors to contribute and support in preventing and controlling infection. However, there is a group of staff consisting of a large number and is one of the potential sources of transmission and spread of microbes in hospitals, they are the Housekeepers.

Healthcare facilities must have a yearly education plan for the housekeeping department. This education plan should be delivered by the infection control education team.

In 2009 we established a scientific program to educate housekeepers. It is delivered by a group of specialists in infection control, quality and patient safety.

Multiple languages are the most difficulties faced by education and training teams, besides different cultures, education levels, ethics, and the number of employees.

So, established by teaching the English language and different techniques for fast learning in order to join the team.

The Housekeepers educational program focuses on:

- Hospital acquired infection
- Standard precautions and General hygiene
- Transmission based-precautions
- Medical waste management
- Vaccination and immunization
- Cleaning and disinfecting the surfaces
- Quality of housekeeping services
- Risk exposure and spillage management
- Bloodborne pathogens exposure management

Housekeeper's lack of knowledge and wrong practices lead to the spreading of microorganisms, and hospitals outbreak as well. This is clearly shown in the following practices:

- Hand hygiene implemented
- No use of PPE or wrong use
- Error in the medical waste gathering.
- Lack of clear surface cleaning and disinfection instructions and guidelines.

Sharp injury is the most common incident in the housekeeping department, but training and education can help to prevent it.

Citation: Baggashi A. How Housekeeper Is Affected the Infection Prevention and Control in Health Care Facilities. *Int J Clin Med Case Rep.* 2019; 1(1): 1004.

Copyright: © 2019 Ahmed Baggashi

Publisher Name: Medtext Publications LLC

Manuscript compiled: Dec 19th, 2019

***Corresponding author:** Ahmed Baggashi, IPC & CSSD Educator, Health Education Specialist, Head of Saudi Health Education Team, Saudi Arabia, Tel: 00966558715734; E-mail: CSSDMCH@hotmail.com