# Accreditation Standard 3 Preventing and Controlling Infections

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# **Partnering with Consumers**

- Consumer engagement (patients)
  - Virtual Visiting
  - Patient information brochures accessible to all staff on intranet
  - Consumer representatives on IPC committee
  - Consumer review of brochures
- Consumer engagement (staff)
  - Staff Forums
  - Operational Management Teams
  - Infection prevention intranet page
  - Education
  - Access and availability (7 days)



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## **Surveillance**

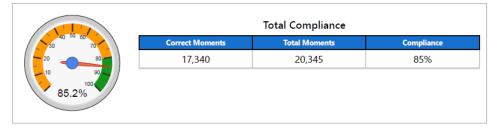
- Multidrug Resistant Organisms
- Staphylococcus aureus bacteraemia
- Clostridium difficile
- Central-line Associated Bloodstream Infections
- Hand hygiene
  - Local audits
  - Education

#### Reported monthly:

- Local teams
- Infection Prevention Committee
- Executive



Hand Hygiene Compliance Report Metropolitan - Monash Health 01/11/2021 - 31/03/2022



#### Compliance by Hand Hygiene Moment

Moment	Correct Moments	Total Moments	Compliance
1 - Before Touching A Patient	4,465	5,590	80%
2 - Before Procedure	2,424	2,693	90%
3 - After a Procedure or Body Fluid Exposure Risk	3,033	3,305	92%
4 - After Touching a Patient	4,848	5,538	88%
5 - After Touching A Patient's Surroundings	2,570	3,219	80%



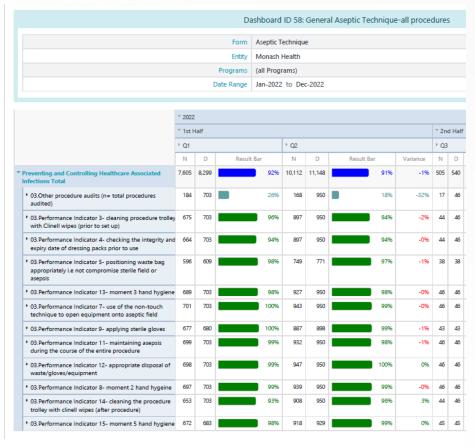
#### Surgical Site Infections

- Cardiothoracic
- Orthopaedic
- Colorectal
- Caesarean section
- Benchmarking

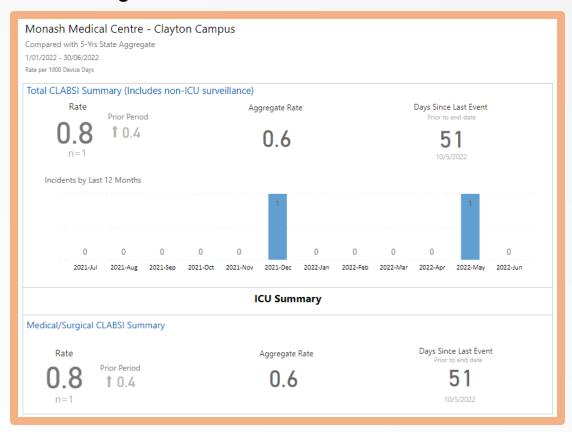


# **Aseptic Technique and Invasive Devices**

#### **Local Audits**



#### Benchmarking



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# **Workforce Screening and Immunisation**

17,314

Mandatory flu and COVID vax Vaccination for other HCW infections Protecting our staff and patients

18,805



Flu Vaccination 2022
Aug 22/23

| Total Employees | Eligible Employees | Total Vaccinated | Form Completed | Vaccinated vs Target | Form Completed %

17,801

19,472

94.7 %

## **Support Services**

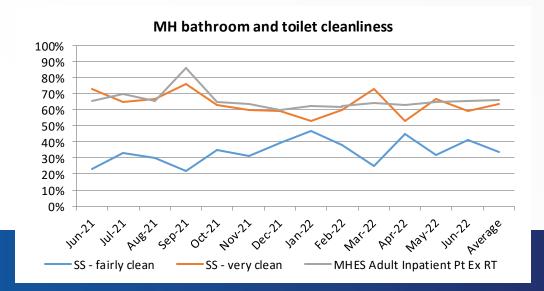
# Central Production Kitchen

- Produces over 45,000 meals per week
- Annually audited for food safety compliance.
- Regular microbiological testing



#### **Cleaning**

- Clinical and non-clinical cleaning
  - Main sites Monash Health
  - Satellite sites contracted out
- Infection Prevention, Support Services and Clinical Operations partner together to deliver cleaning outcomes.



## Waste Management

- Sharps
- Clinical Waste
- General Waste
- Cytotoxic & Radioactive
- Recycling

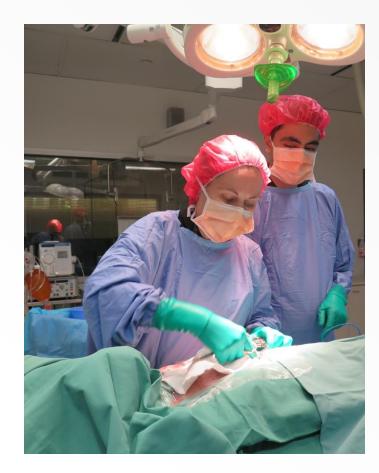




# **Surgical and Interventional Program**

AS4187 Gap Analysis addressed emerging risks related to:

- Segregation of clean and dirty activities
- Design of sterile stock storage areas
- Replacement of noncompliant cleaning, disinfecting and sterilising equipment
- Monitoring requirements for water quality



The analysis identified the need to:

- Upgrade CSS equipment
- Upgrade instrument tracking system to one system across the sites
- Redesign workflows (unidirectional)
- Replace engraved instrumentation
- Formalisation of annual equipment validation
- Centralise reusable device reprocessing
- Convert of untraceable items to single use products
- Upgrade storage facilities /devices for semi-critical equipment

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# **Surgical and Interventional Program**

#### **Projects**

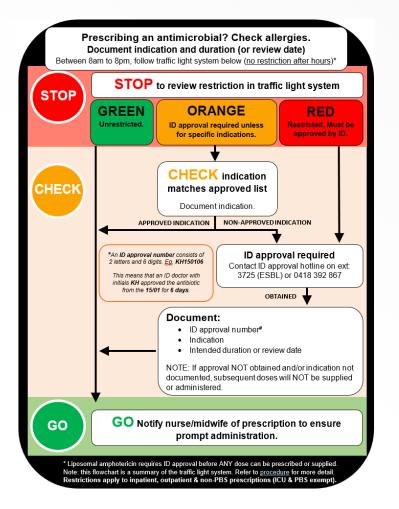
Following Monash Health securing funding from the Department of Health, numerous projects have been undertaken to address AS4187 compliance, they are:

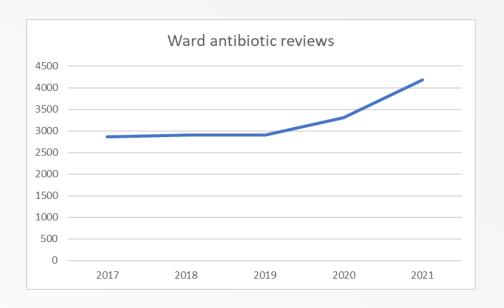
- Replacement of all noncompliant CSS equipment across the sites (June 2023 completion)
- Installation of Reverse Osmosis across all CSS departments (Feb 2023 completion)
- Installation of a centralised instrument tracking system TDOC (Mar 2023 completion)
- Refurbishment of sterile stock areas (Dec 2022)
- Purchasing of replacement engraved surgical instrumentation (tender in process)
- Installation of specialised endoscope and probe reprocessing devices and storage units (June 2023 completion)





## **Antimicrobial Stewardship**





	Monash 2020-2021	SNAPS benchmark 2019 report
Non-compliance with guidelines	34.5%	37.3%
Incorrect Dose	4.3%	23.3%
Incorrect timing	9.1%	37.4%
Post op antimicrobials	21%	
Antimicrobials >24 hours	16%	61.4%



## Monash Health and COVID19



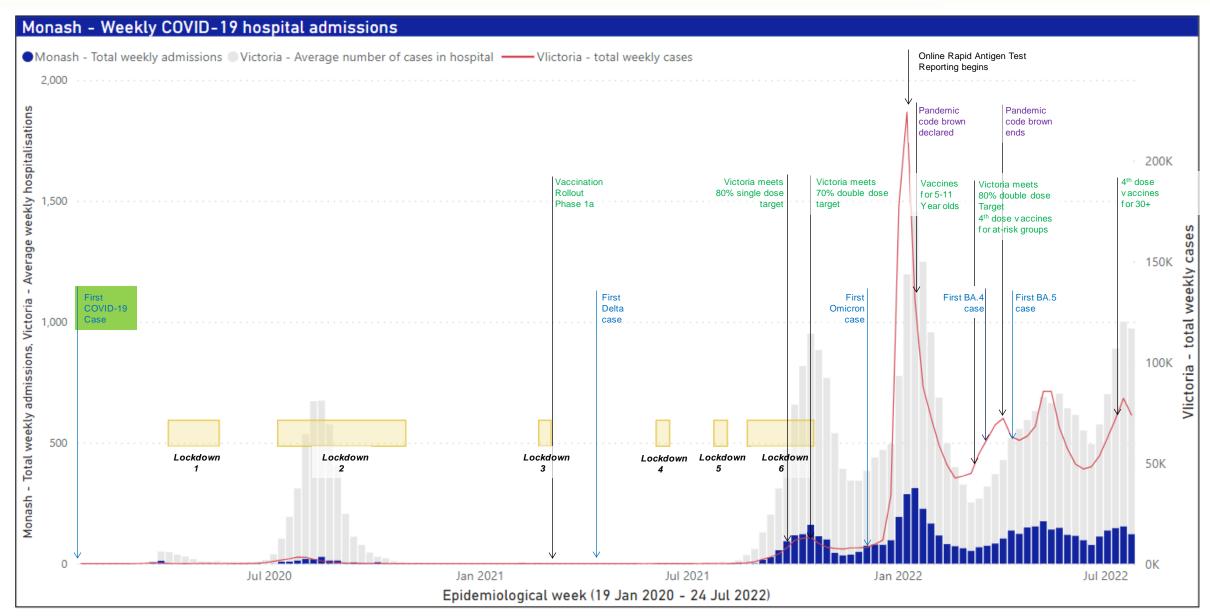






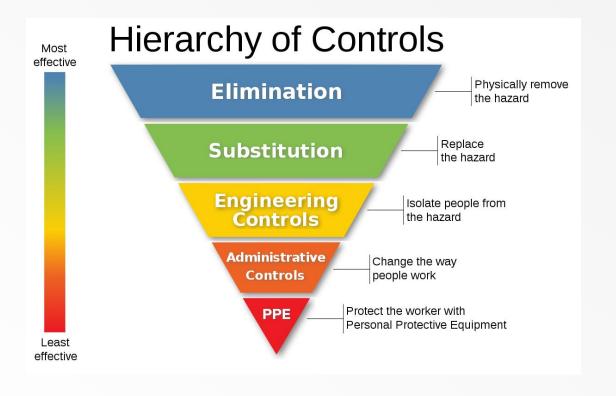
## Monash Health Covid timeline





## What we have implemented to protect our HCWs and patients

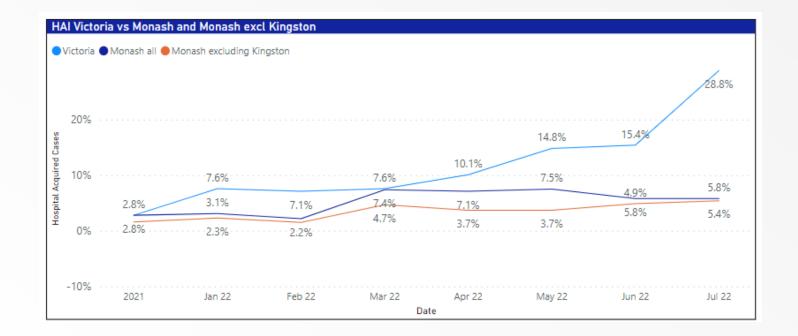
Hierarchy of controls	Infection control strategies
Elimination	Vaccination
	Staying home if unwell
	Screening of patients
	Attestations
	Visitation limits
	Testing
	Virtual ED
Substitution	<ul> <li>Plan for alternatives to aerosol-generating procedures (AGPs)</li> </ul>
	Administer aerosolised medication via a spacer
Engineering controls	Negative Pressure Rooms
	Negative Flow Units
	Hepafiltration in other areas
	Negative flow - pandemic wards
Administrative controls	Standard precautions
	Environmental cleaning
	Physical distancing
	Isolation and zoning
	Patient movement
	Model of care
	Education and training
i ordoriai protoduro	Transmission precautions
equipment	Conventional use of PPE
	Education and training
	Respiratory Protection Program





### **Monash Patient HAIs**

- Overall % of Monash HAI = 4.7%
  - Excluding subacute = 3%
- Risk patients
  - Aged
  - Wandering
    - dementia, mental health
  - Difficult to contain
    - multi-bed rooms
    - mental health
- Risk areas
  - Subacute
  - Mental health
  - Older wards/multi-bed rooms



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#### **Feedback Received**



- Infection Control governance/structure across organisation excellent
- Complimented how clean, well-kept and maintained areas were, despite some being obviously aged
- Training at an extremely pleasing level of compliance
- COVID work exceptional
- PPE safety officer program brilliant initiative
- Hand Hygiene results excellent
- Vaccination program excellent
- Waste recycle project
- Reminders
  - Monitor employee fridges and regular clean out
  - Compliance with clean wall procedure: residual blue tac, fix holes in walls (theatres)
  - Old furniture: fabric tears discard/replace

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