

Best Practices for
Emerging Infectious
Diseases
Virtual Panel Discussion

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Welcome and Introductions



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Panel Discussion Questions

1. What are the main components of your infectious control policies?
2. What training do you provide to staff at onboarding and at other intervals?
3. What are the most important components of an Infection Control Surveillance Program?
4. What supplies and PPE do you provide to visiting staff to help ensure their safety?
5. How does your organization communicate infectious disease trends and emerging new infectious diseases

Panel Discussion Questions

- What lessons have you learned from the COVID-19 pandemic that may help you manage a new emerging infectious disease?
- How do you protect the :“psychosocial safety” of the staff when they provide care to those with infectious diseases?
- How do you support the patient’s psychosocial safety as well?

Participant Comments/Q&A



Wrap Up

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Save the Dates:

April 14th from 10:00am-11:00 N95 Mask Distribution and Fit Test Train the Trainer Overview for New York City Providers

April 16th from 12:00pm-2:00pm Joint Associations Spring Emergency Preparedness Forum

A Collaboration with New York City Emergency Management

Part Two: Response, Planning, and Resilience

April 30th from 10:00am-12:00pm Statewide Tabletop Exercise planned by and specifically for hospice and palliative care providers.

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