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Prevention Pulse: News, Research & Expert Insights

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Our Experts Weigh In

The Power of Partnership in Infection Prevention

You've probably heard it before: **infection prevention is a team effort**.

While attending the APIC 2026 Annual Conference, I noticed a growing recognition of the expanding expectations placed on infection prevention and control (IPC) teams. As reporting requirements increase and accountability reaches new heights, infection preventionists (IPs) are often asked to provide expertise on an increasingly broad range of issues—from implementing evidence-based practices to prevent surgical site infections, to addressing sink drain disinfection, to managing bedbugs. These expanding responsibilities can leave IPs feeling stretched as they balance competing priorities while continuing to protect patient safety. The underlying theme: successful IPC teams depend on strong partnerships across virtually every area of healthcare.

The most effective IPC programs are built on ongoing communication, shared accountability, and collaborative problem-solving. By leveraging the expertise of colleagues across departments, IPs identify risks, develop practical solutions, and drive meaningful improvements in patient safety. Examples of effective partnerships include:

- **Multidisciplinary committees and rounding:** IP, Employee Health (EH), pharmacy, and operational leaders meet regularly to review infection trends, exposure events, regulatory updates, and improvement opportunities. These discussions help align priorities and support timely responses to emerging risks.
- **Collaborative education and competency programs:** Departments work together to provide training on hand hygiene, appropriate personal protective equipment use, aseptic technique, and sterile compounding standards, promoting consistent practices across care settings.
- **Coordinated outbreak and exposure response:** IP and EH partner to investigate exposures, assess transmission risks, implement work restrictions when needed, and communicate mitigation strategies across inpatient and ambulatory settings.
- **Integrated audits and quality improvement initiatives:** IPs collaborate with pharmacy teams, EVS, facilities, and other departments to evaluate environmental monitoring results, cleaning and disinfection practices, workflow processes, and compliance measures to identify opportunities for improvement.
- **Data sharing and transparency:** Regular review of surveillance data, hand hygiene audits, environmental monitoring metrics, and quality indicators helps teams recognize trends and prioritize interventions before issues escalate.

Ultimately, IPC is not the responsibility of a single department, it is a shared commitment. By fostering trust, communication, and common goals, partnerships create a stronger, more resilient healthcare system that protects patients, staff, and communities while advancing excellence in care delivery. Watch my recent [collaboration webinar](#) with our Pharmacy Team to see how IP and Pharmacy can work together for safer cleanrooms.

As IPs, our greatest impact often comes not from having all the answers, but from bringing the right people together to solve problems and improve outcomes.

- [Karen Jones, MPH, RN, CIC, AI-CIP, FAPIC](#)



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What We're Watching

- [CDC measles tracker](#)
- [Future Ready Healthcare report](#)
- [Guidance for Addressing Problems with the Manufacturer's Instructions for Use: A Toolkit for Non-Critical Devices \(released May 2026\)](#)
- [First pediatric-specific Candida auris infection prevention guidance from SHEA providing recommendations on screening, environmental cleanin and disinfection, caregiver education, and family-centered care to reduce transmission in pediatric healthcare settings](#)



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