

Q3 ASHE Advocacy Liaison Webinar

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Chapter Attendance Poll

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Agenda

1. CMS Ligature Risks
2. HVAC and Emergency Power
3. Top Infection Prevention Challenges
4. CMS Memorandum on Door Inspections
5. CMS Withdrawals Proposed Public Surveys
6. ASHRAE Addenda
7. Local Advocacy Reports



CMS Ligature Risks

- Increased Awareness
 - Behavioral Health Areas
 - Due to Recent Actual Events
- CMS Drafting Guidance
 - 6 Months to Complete
 - AO's to Use Judgement in Determining Risks

CMS Ligature Risks

- Guidance to Cover
 - How these risks should be surveyed
 - At what level deficiency should be cited
 - The elements required for an appropriate Plan of Correction
 - What constitutes a suitable mitigation plan
- ASHE Developing Checklist



HVAC and Emergency Power

- CMS Emergency Preparedness Rule
 - § 482.15 (b) (ii) Requires
 - Policies and Procedures must address alternate sources of energy to maintain:
 - Temperature to protect patient health and safety and for the safe and sanitary storage of provisions
 - Does not specifically require connection to EES
 - Can provide alternate “energy source”
 - » Temporary cooling or other source
 - IRMA Florida Nursing Home Incident
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HVAC and Emergency Power

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 - FL Issued Emergency Rule
 - » All Nursing Homes to Develop Emergency Power Plan
 - » Plan to include generator sufficient to ensure ambient temperatures will be maintained at 80° for minimum of 96 hours in the event of an electrical power loss

Top Infection Prevention Challenges

- WHO Issued Priority Pathogens List
 - Critical Priorities
 - carbapenem-resistant *Acinetobacter baumannii*; carbapenem-resistant *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*; and carbapenem-resistant, extended-spectrum beta lactamase-producing Enterobacteriaceae
 - High Priorities
 - vancomycin-resistant *Enterococcus faecium*; methicillin-resistant, vancomycin-intermediate and resistant *Staphylococcus aureus*; clarithromycin-resistant *Helicobacter pylori*; fluoroquinolone-resistant *Campylobacter* spp.; fluoroquinolone-resistant *Salmonella*; and cephalosporin-resistant and fluoroquinolone-resistant *Neisseria gonorrhoeae*.

Top Infection Prevention Challenges

- WHO Issued Priority Pathogens List
 - Medium Priorities
 - penicillin-non-susceptible *Streptococcus pneumoniae*; ampicillin-resistant *Haemophilus influenzae*; and fluoroquinolone-resistant *Shigella* spp.
 - Coordinate with IP, EVS, Others
 - Environment of Care/Safety Committee
- Water Management a Key Element

CMS Door Annual Testing Requirements

- S&C Letter 17-38-LSC 28 July 2017
 - Fire Door Assemblies = NFPA 80
 - Full Compliance by 1 Jan 18
 - Deficiencies Cited Under K-211
 - Non-rated Door Assemblies = Not subject to NFPA 80 or NFPA 105
 - Should be Routinely Inspected

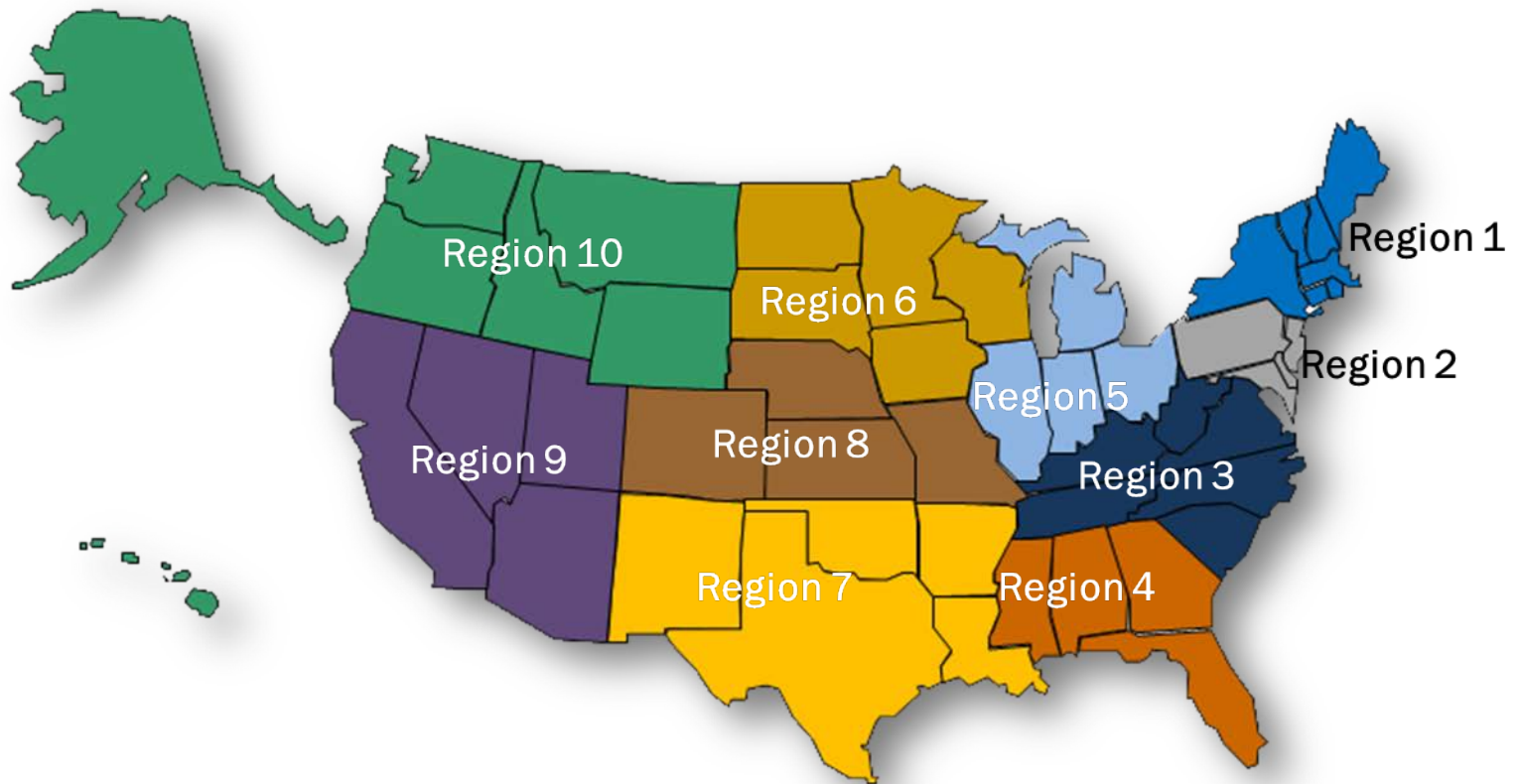
CMS Withdrawal of Public Survey Posts

- Issued as Part of Prospective Payment Update for 2018
 - Proposed as a New Standard
 - Several Public Comments Submitted
 - Section 1865 (b) of Social Security Act
 - Prohibits CMS from Disclosing Survey Reports or Compelling AO's to do so

ASHRAE Addenda

- Several Standards Under Continuous Maintenance
 - Addenda Post for 30 or 45 Days
 - Currently Several Posted
 - Standard 90.1 Energy Standard – 5 Open Until 1 October
 - Standard 188 – Legionellosis Standard – 1 Open Until 16 October
 - Several Others

Local Advocacy Updates



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