



Sociedad Española
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Salud Pública e Higiene

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National and local legislation and/or recommendations

- 17 regions: different legislations
 - Infection Control Committee
 - Surveillance of SSI for some NHSN procedures
 - ICU surveillance
 - Hospital outbreak/cluster declaration

Team constitution

- Doctor: specialty in Preventive Medicine
- Infection control nurse: not special training
- Micro laboratory

Service requirement

- Hospital based

Qualification or competencies

- Doctors: 4 years specialization in Preventive Medicine and Public Health
 - 1 year Hospital epidemiology:
 - Epidemiology
 - Infectious diseases
 - Isolation precautions
- Nurses: no formal training

Number of staf

- No recomendations
- ≥ 1 doctor per hospital (1/1000-1/200)
- ≥ 1 nurse (1/150-1/400)
- heterogeneous

Tasks

- 1 year in hospital: Hospital epidemiology
- Surveillance and control activities
- Education
- Immunization
- Outbreaks control
- Isolation
- Hygiene, disinfection and sterilization guidelines
- Local guidelines,...

Link nurses

- Very uncommon

Performance indicators

- HCAI rates adjusted
 - SSI
 - Devised associated
 - Antibiotic prophylaxis
- Hand hygiene
- Isolation precautions

Presence in the media

- Increasing awareness by the public
- Hospital outbreaks in the news
- Increasing litigation and sentences