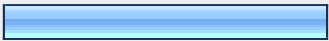
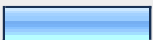


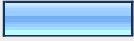
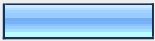

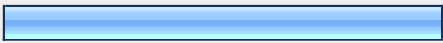

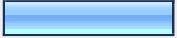





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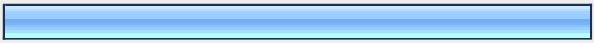
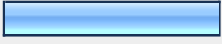


1. Which one of the following do you consider to be the biggest challenge in your organization regarding healthcare-associated infections (HAI)?			
		Response Percent	Response Count
State-mandated public reporting		7.3%	68
Timely and efficient tracking of all or targeted HAIs across the hospital population		30.3%	283
Measuring compliance with infection prevention practices, such as hand hygiene		35.5%	332
Management of patients with epidemiologically challenging organisms		4.4%	41
Planning for CMS Healthcare–Acquired Conditions (HAC) including HAI		16.0%	149
Other (please specify)		6.5%	61
		answered question	934
		skipped question	0

2. Aside from funding, which of the following is the most important resource to meet your current infection prevention challenges?			
		Response Percent	Response Count
Information Technology and support		25.1%	234
Adequate staffing for infection prevention		42.2%	394
Visible support from administration		14.0%	131
Visible support from clinical leaders		16.3%	152
Other (please specify)		2.5%	23
		answered question	934
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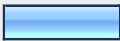
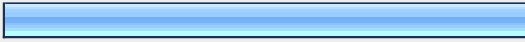



3. In your organization, which of the following department leaders provide the most active support for the HAI elimination program?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Quality/performance improvement		48.4%	452
Medical affairs/Physician leadership		6.0%	56
Patient /Nursing Services		18.5%	173
Senior/executive management		9.0%	84
Individual departments/units		13.0%	121
Other (please specify)		5.1%	48
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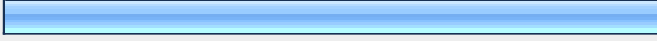
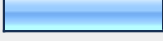

4. Assuming the use of CDC's standard surveillance definitions, who makes the final determination of an HAI versus community-acquired infection?

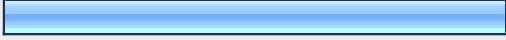
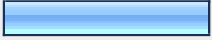


		Response Percent	Response Count
Infection prevention/control staff		64.8%	605
Infection prevention/control staff in collaboration with a committee, committee chair or clinician assigned to the Infection prevention/control program		23.6%	220
Infection prevention/control staff with primary/attending physician		8.4%	78
Other (please specify)		3.3%	31
		answered question	934
		skipped question	0

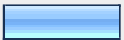
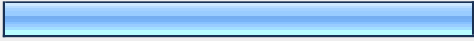
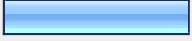
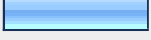
5. Please indicate how your organization's HAI surveillance data are shared between infection prevention/control and the CEO/Board. Check all that apply:

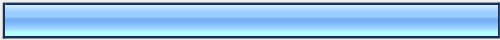
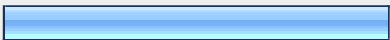

		Response Percent	Response Count
We do not formally share HAI surveillance data with the Board at this time but plans are underway		12.4%	116
HAI surveillance data are on the agenda at the Board meeting on a regular schedule		57.6%	538
Data that are presented include trending and interpretation		47.3%	442
Infection prevention/control representative(s) present data at the Board meeting		23.2%	217
The CEO/Board provides feedback and/or recommendations		15.3%	143
		Comments	117
		answered question	934
		skipped question	0



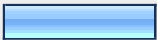
6. How well do you think your HAI elimination measures are integrated into the tasks of clinicians and other staff?

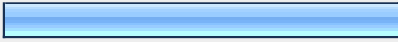

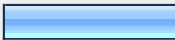
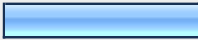

		Response Percent	Response Count
Very well integrated		8.6%	80
Moderately integrated		72.1%	673
Only indirectly integrated		17.2%	161
Not integrated		2.1%	20
		Comments	30
		answered question	934
		skipped question	0

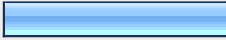
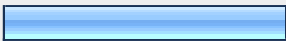
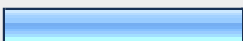
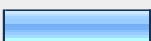

7. Which one of the following HAI prevention interventions do you consider the most challenging to implement in your organization?			
		Response Percent	Response Count
Removing unnecessary indwelling urinary catheters		55.5%	518
Expanding the central line-associated catheter bundle outside of the critical care units		22.4%	209
Implementing the ventilator-associated bundle in critical care		5.8%	54
Improving compliance with SCIP pre/post-op antimicrobial prophylaxis		16.4%	153
Comments			75
answered question			934
skipped question			0

8. In anticipation of the October 2008 change in CMS reimbursement for hospital-acquired conditions (HAC), which of the following activities needs the most attention to optimize your organization's readiness?			
		Response Percent	Response Count
Physician education on the impact of the CMS rule on HAC reimbursement		12.6%	118
Accurate/appropriate physician documentation on the patient record		51.6%	482
Accurate coding, including accurate use of new present on admission (POA) codes		20.2%	189
Inter-departmental collaboration for identification and documentation of HACs		15.5%	145
Comments			53
answered question			934
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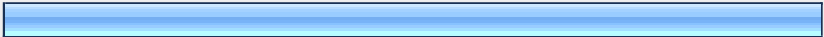



9. Is your organization located in a state that currently has state-mandated reporting of HAIs?			Response Percent	Response Count
Yes			54.5%	509
No			42.3%	395
Not sure			3.2%	30
			Comments	57
			answered question	934
			skipped question	0

10. In your opinion, how timely and efficient is your current surveillance process for detection of problem pathogens and potential HAIs that need further investigation?			Response Percent	Response Count
As timely and efficient as it needs to be			24.9%	233
Reasonably timely and efficient, but room for improvement			58.7%	548
Not timely and efficient, a more timely and efficient system is needed			16.4%	153
			Comments	34
			answered question	934
			skipped question	0

11. Does your organization participate in the CDC's National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN)?			
		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes, we are enrolled and participating		43.4%	405
Yes, we are in the process of enrolling		13.1%	122
Not at the moment, but we are considering		18.8%	176
No plans to enroll at this time		21.2%	198
Don't know		3.5%	33
		Comments	42
		answered question	934
		skipped question	0

12. How large is your healthcare organization(s)?			
		Response Percent	Response Count
0 – 100 beds		24.5%	229
101-250 beds		30.8%	288
251-500 beds		26.1%	244
500+ beds		15.8%	148
Other (please specify)		2.7%	25
		answered question	934
		skipped question	0

13. What is your primary role/function in your organization?

		Response Percent	Response Count
Infection Prevention/Control		90.4%	844
Quality/Performance Improvement		2.2%	21
Patient Safety		0.3%	3
Administration		0.6%	6
Other (please specify)		6.4%	60
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		<i>skipped question</i>	0