

Hand Hygiene Campaign 2015 at Littleton Regional Healthcare

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Healthcare associated infections are prevalent throughout the country. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), excellent hand hygiene practices have been shown to minimize outbreaks of infections such as MRSA and significantly reduce all infection rates.

The staff, physicians and volunteers at Littleton Regional Healthcare are committed to ensuring that our patients are cared for in a safe environment. We are working diligently at LRH to improve our already good hand hygiene rate in all areas of our hospital and physician practices. During the Fall of 2015, LRH will be implementing a hospital wide hand hygiene campaign to focus our attention on this very important patient safety issue.

We have developed new materials and educations focused on increasing the awareness around excellent hand hygiene.

We encourage all patients and visitors to also join in on our campaign by cleaning your hands when you enter and exit the LRH facility. We are all potential sources of infection for others here at the hospital and together we can reduce the harm that can occur when we do not use proper hand hygiene. If you see staff that has not completed hand hygiene prior to touching a patient, please remind them of the importance of this.

Clean Hands Save Lives and we are committed to keeping you infection free and safe at Littleton Regional Healthcare.

<http://www.cdc.gov/handhygiene/>

<http://www.who.int/gpsc/5may/en/>