

Information for Managers

Infecting your practice...

with good infection prevention and control practice

Workforce Development and Learning, Disability Services, DHS, has recently developed a DVD to assist all staff working in residential services, to keep themselves and the people they support, free from infection.

This DVD is being distributed to all houses via DISTSS. This training is *not* mandatory however, the intent of the DVD is to provide a way for staff teams to build on knowledge in infection prevention and control.

The DVDs are being made available free of charge.

What style of DVD is it?

The DVD is designed as a spoof on a current affairs show, and opens with a story of an *Influenza Pandemic* aimed at engaging the audience around the issue of infection prevention and control. The DVD is *not* about managing a pandemic, it is actually about simple infection prevention and control measures able to be implemented in residential support services.

What content is included?

The content behind the story aims to prompt staff to think about ways of improving their infection prevention and control practices.

Is the DVD a stand alone resource?

No, the aim is that staff watch the DVD on their TV or computer and then as a staff team, discuss the questions on the DVD cover.

How do we ensure all staff watch the DVD?

This depends on the organisation. Some staff teams are watching the DVD as part of their staff meetings while others are attaching some additional time to their refresher fire safety training being conducted at each house.

Where can I get copies of the DVD?

If you do not have copies in your houses, these can be obtained from:

- DISTSS: bev.schutt@distss.org.au,
Ph: 03 8686 5621

