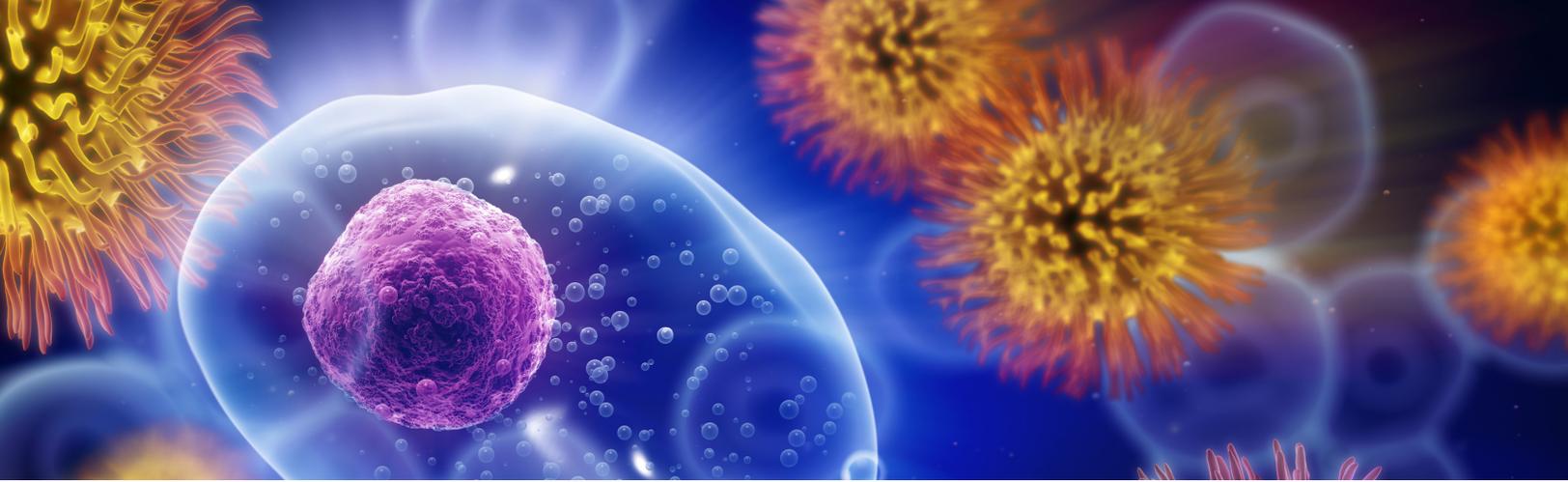


# Disease-Specific Care Certification



Inspiring Safe and Effective Care of Infection-Related Diseases, including:

- Sepsis
- Wound Care
- Pneumonia
- And more



## Disease-Specific Care Certification for Infection-Related Diseases

The Joint Commission is committed to working with health care organizations to improve health care safety by inspiring you to provide safe and effective care of the highest quality and value.

To help you achieve your goals, we offer infection-related Disease-Specific Care Certification for:

- Sepsis
- Wound care
- Pneumonia
- Cellulitis
- Hepatitis B/C
- HIV/AIDS
- Tuberculosis
- Pediatric musculoskeletal infections
- Pelvic inflammatory disease
- And more

## Why Achieve Certification?

Give your team the validation and recognition of earning Joint Commission Certification, and show your patients you're committed to providing consistent clinical quality.

Achieving certification:

- Demonstrates commitment to a higher standard of service
- Provides a framework to improve patient outcomes
- Helps to organize teams across the continuum of care
- Provides a competitive edge in the marketplace
- Enhances staff recruitment and development
- Potentially reduces costs and improves financial performance
- Strengthens community confidence in quality and safety of care

# The Gold Seal of Approval®

For more than 60 years, The Joint Commission has been synonymous with quality, safety and performance improvement. Our standards are the most rigorous in the industry; our surveyors and reviewers are among the most knowledgeable in their fields; and our accredited and certified organizations are among the top in the marketplace.

The Joint Commission Gold Seal of Approval® is widely recognized by peers, payors, insurers and the public, and helps drive trust and confidence in your community.



## Why Achieve Infection-Related Disease-Specific Care Certification?

Infection-related diseases cost health systems across the country billions annually. Sepsis, a life-threatening infection, kills about 250,000 people per year in the U.S\*, yet we know that those deaths can be reduced with early detection & rapid initiation of treatment.

Pneumonia is a leading cause of hospitalization and death among adults in the United States, while readmission to a hospital with pneumonia within 30 days incurs a reimbursement penalty\*.

The truth is, you can't afford not to focus on performance improvement. Often, reimbursement and executive compensation are tied to clinical outcomes. By working with the standards in The Joint Commission Disease-Specific Care Certification manual, health care organizations can reduce unwanted variations in care and deliver better outcomes.

## PREPARE TO APPLY

Certification is recognized nationwide as a symbol of quality that reflects an organization's commitment to continuous performance improvement and provides a framework for a program to deliver high-quality patient care.

### Certification Eligibility:

Infection-related Disease-Specific Care Certification options are available for Joint Commission accredited organizations that provide a disease-specific care program that has:

- A formal program structure
- A standardized method of clinical care delivery based on clinical practice guidelines/evidence-based practices
- An organized approach to performance measurement

\*Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention



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Contact us to receive complimentary resources and an overview of the application process for Certification.

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### ***Leading the Way to 0™***

The Joint Commission Enterprise envisions a future of zero harm and is committed to helping make it a reality. We believe zero harm is achievable and we're *leading the way to zero* by helping hospitals like yours transform the way they work to prevent harm.

Examples of zero include zero patient falls, zero complications of care, zero infections, zero patient safety events, zero harm to employees, and zero missed opportunities to provide exemplary care.

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