

HHA 5 Moments for Hand Hygiene Manual Updates 2017

The HHA manual has now undergone its fourth revision since the inception of the program in 2008. The HHA 5 Moments for HH program has had an exceptional uptake with both public and private facilities around the country, with close to 1000 organisations now participating in the program. The focus of the HHA program for the future is now aimed toward a sustainability and continual improvement phase.

To assist in navigating the updated HHA manual, the following is a list of the changes made. HHA would recommend that you familiarise yourself with the most significant change in this edition: an update to the 'selection of departments for auditing':

Changes made to HHA Manual June 2017 Release			
Section	Item updated	Rationale for Change	
1.7	Addition of information on NSQHS Standards	Provide users with reference for further information on NSQHS Standards	
2.2	Additional definitions of 5 Moments and related terminology	Improve clarity for user	
3.2	Updated information regarding hand drying	New evidence available	
3.11	New section on soap and water hand hygiene placement	Provide users with reference to Australian Health Facilities Guidelines	
3.13	Updated information regarding ABHR and Sterilising departments	New reference available	
3.15	Updated section on Hand care issues	Detailed information provided by The Occupational Dermatology Research & Education Centre, Skin & Cancer Foundation Inc.	
5.6	Updated table regarding auditor training	Improve clarity for user	
5.7	Updated Selection of Departments for auditing	Standardisation: One single ward selection method could potentially improve comparability of results	
		Coverage: Ensure that all relevant hospital areas are involved in the NHHI. HHA propose that it be made clearer that all acute wards and emergency departments should be audited.	
		Simplification: Reduce the potential for confusion inherent in current two-option guideline.	
6.7.2	HCW codes	New codes created since last Manual released	
6.9.1	Data collection via a mobile device	Updated information regarding troubleshooting guides	



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7.2	Requirements for national data submission	Additional information regarding audit periods
Table 7.2.1	Required moments - acute hospitals	Change to table to match updated Selection of Department in 5.7
7.2.3	Addition of "oncology" to dialysis data submission guidelines	Satellite and standalone oncology settings are similar in number of procedures per annum, and patient flow
7.2.4	Addition of Dental data submission guidelines	New indication for dental facilities to participate in the NHHI
7.4	Removal of "how to add a national audit"	This is now automatic functionality in HHCApp
7.5	Removal of instructions on what an auditor can access	HHCApp functionality has changed, instructions updated to match
7.5.2	Compliance rate by individual auditor	New report available - Auditor and Sessions
7.6	New section on Data Submission	Improve clarity for user
7.7	Restructured section	Listing of all reports currently available in HHCApp
7.10	Addition of national hand hygiene benchmark information	New benchmark set by AHMAC
Chapter 9	Removal of detail regarding SAB data collection	SAB data collection is outside of the scope of HHA. Chapter updated provide users with reference of where to find required information
Glossary	Updated terminology	Improve clarity for user
Whole document	Reduction in use of acronyms	Improve readability for user

We hope you enjoy the latest version of the HHA Manual.

If you have any comments regarding this version, or about the HHA program, please contact us via hha@austin.org.au

Regards HHA Team