



WEBINAR

Navigating the New CMS Antimicrobial Stewardship Requirements

Date: **Tuesday, December 3, 2019**

Time: **9:00 – 10:00 a.m. CT**

Speakers: **Dr. John Horne and Dr. Renuga Vivekanandan**

Learning Objectives

- Discuss ways to fulfill requirements for an Antimicrobial Stewardship Program;
- Develop innovative access to technology and resources for health systems; and
- Describe the impact of an Antimicrobial Stewardship Program through TeleStewardship® Services.

Target Audience

Directors of nursing, physicians, compliance officers, quality staff and pharmacist of critical access hospitals

Cost

\$195 per connection for NHA members. \$390 per connection for non-members.

Note: The fee is for one phone line with unlimited participants.

Speaker Bios

Dr. John Horne is an Assistant Professor of Infectious Disease in the Department of Medicine at Creighton University's School of Medicine. He is also an Infectious Disease Staff Physician at the Omaha VA Hospital. In addition to seeing patients, he serves as the Course Director of the infectious disease course for second-year medical students at Creighton University Medical School. Dr. Horne is a founding member of MDstewardship, which provides infectious disease physician and pharmacist support for hospitals of all sizes, serving more than 20 hospitals throughout the country.

Dr. Renuga Vivekanandan is the Director of Hospital Epidemiology, Director of Antimicrobial Stewardship, Assistant Professor of Internal Medicine, and Associate Program Director for Internal Medicine Residency at Creighton University. She has been successful in publishing manuscripts in the area of Antimicrobial Stewardship. She has been involved in antimicrobial stewardship programs for more than 5 years and has been able to successfully show reduction in Antibiotic Resistance organisms such as *Clostridium difficile* infection.

Program Overview

This webinar will examine how an Antimicrobial Stewardship Program's application of TeleStewardship® Services can help achieve/maintain CMS and Joint Commission accreditation standards, reduce costs, and improve patient care. The presenters will discuss the importance of utilizing a multidisciplinary Antimicrobial Stewardship Program team of experts and will provide examples of current interventions with hospitals.