Cost Effective Method to Meet Leapfrog Hand Hygiene Goals

Over 241,000 observations were completed in 2021 by the hand hygiene observers.

**IMPROVING HAND HYGIENE RATES**

OHA’s hand hygiene program focuses on improving hand hygiene rates by assessing hospital staff compliance by directly observing hospital caregivers as they enter and exit patient rooms. OHA will provide recommendations on how hospitals can improve their rates by redesigning policies and offering more robust education and training opportunities. Participating hospitals set a goal of reaching 100% compliance.

**COMPARE COMPLIANCE RATES WITH PARTICIPATING HOSPITALS**

- Additional alcohol hand sanitizer dispensers, located closer to patient rooms
- Signage for “Wash in/Wash out!” reminders
- Inter-departmental meetings on expected behaviors
- Competitions and rewards for best rates/most improved
- Coaching of associates by leadership
- Educational videos or employee plays/skits

See how OHA member hospitals can benefit from the hand hygiene program at ohiohospitals.org/hand-hygiene

**INTERESTED IN THE HYGIENE PROGRAM? SIGN UP TODAY**

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