

## Shifting priorities to infection prevention in response to COVID-19

Infection preventionists' day-to-day work has shifted rapidly due to COVID-19 according to a 3M survey of infection preventionists working in acute and long-term care facilities.

What were the biggest contributors of cross-contamination at your facility?

Where do you focus the majority of your time?

**Pre-Pandemic** 

June 2020

March 2021

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compliance to

prevention protocols

existing infection



Improper use of

equipment

Central Line-Associated

personal protective



Staff non-compliance to existing infection prevention protocols



Surveillance and reporting



Strategies and protocols focused on sources of contamination that may lead to infection

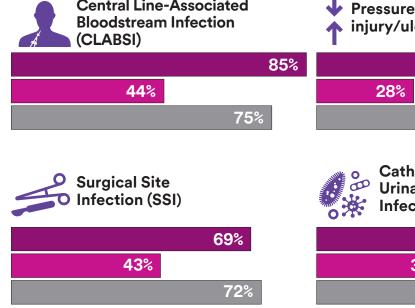


Infection prevention strategies and protocols focuses

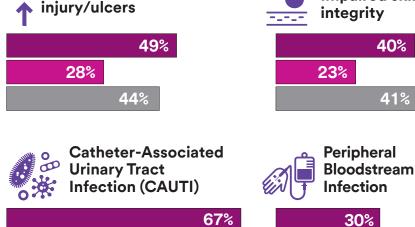
Impaired skin

How much priority did your facility place on prevention and control for the following healthcare-acquired infections and/or conditions pre-pandemic, June 2020 and March 2021?

Percentages based on number of respondents who rated each as 5 on a 1 to 5 scale; 5 being "very much a priority."



June 2020 Pre-pandemic



38% 10%

Results based on 3M funded online survey conducted March 2021, of 150 self-identified infection

prevention professionals that are members of the Association for Professionals in Infection Control and Epidemiology (APIC) in North America.

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