

Infection Prevention Director

Position Overview

Children's Healthcare of Atlanta is seeking an **Infection Prevention Director** to lead overall system strategy and development of our infection prevention and epidemiology, industrial hygiene, and other patient safety initiatives.

The Infection Prevention Director reports to the Senior Director, Quality and Patient Safety and partners with the Medical Director for System Epidemiology, Medical Director for Antimicrobial Stewardship, the Chief Quality Officer, Service Line Leaders, and other stakeholders to develop a system of care that promotes sound and scientific infection prevention principles and practices.

This individual is accountable for decreasing the incidence and transmission of infectious diseases between patients, staff, visitors and the community. Through strategic planning, leadership and consultation, you will lead and direct a robust team in the identification and implementation of infection prevention goals and objectives throughout the Children's Healthcare of Atlanta system.

Children's Healthcare of Atlanta, ranked in *FORTUNE* magazine's elite "100 Best Companies to Work For" in America for ten consecutive years includes three hospitals in metro Atlanta and 27 neighborhood locations, including immediate care, primary care and the Marcus Autism Center. Children's employs more than 9,200 people and provides outstanding care to more than 500,000 children annually. Additionally, we are thrilled to be one of only 12 children's hospitals included on this year's Best Children's Hospitals Honor Roll, ranked in each of the 10 specialty areas.

Position Responsibilities and Qualifications

In this key position, essential job duties and responsibilities include:

- Partners with the Medical Director for System Epidemiology to develop, implement and evaluate annual infection prevention goals and action plan
- Partners with system leaders, physicians, local, state, and national agencies on activities related to infection prevention
- Oversees the operations of the infection prevention, epidemiology, industrial hygiene, and relevant safety programs
- Accountable for surveillance of healthcare acquired and community acquired infections
- Manages goal setting process for system, unit and physician goals related to hospital acquired infections and conditions
- Lead industrial hygiene program to anticipate, recognize, evaluate, mitigate and control workplace conditions
- Participates in the national collaboratives and external reporting NHSN, and other pediatric-specific quality organizations



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- Authority and responsibility for ensuring appropriate intervention and education occurs with staff, volunteers and medical staff when healthcare infection trends, outbreaks or non-compliance to infection control/OSHA are identified
- Ensures that education and counseling on infection prevention is available for staff, volunteers, medical staff, patients and parents.
- Support and participate in interdisciplinary performance and quality improvement process.
- Maintains current knowledge of federal, state and local regulations and ensures that the system leaders are informed of appropriate issues. Understands and complies with infection control, safety and OSHA procedures and regulations.
- Must be nationally certified in Infection Prevention (CIC)

To be formally considered for the position, please complete our online application through our website, www.choa.org/jointheteam and select the Director portal in the right column or contact Melissa Madden, Manager of Recruitment, at Melissa.madden@choa.org.