

## Hanumangarh District reports significant improvement in Infection Prevention Practices

Dr Gaurav Thukral, Project Co-ordinator, Public Sector Support writes on the feat

A trip across the 8 sites, a year back, in Hanumangarh district of Rajasthan revealed that Infection Prevention Protocols were not strictly adhered, much to disappointment of the whole team. Without much ado, the Public Sector Support (PSS) teams decided to completely overhaul the way protocols are being followed. An IP training was organised for the whole of Hanumangarh district, where all surgeons, Medical Officers, Chief Medical officer from the state administration and OT (Operation Theatre) staff participated.

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**IMPACT OF IP TRAINING IN FDS SERVICE DELIVERY**

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**COMMENTS ON SITUATION BEFORE TRAINING**

- Before training, team of FDS setting area was not as per ideal norms.  
 - Some parameter was not fully followed i.e. proper Bleach cleaning, autoclave, use of disinfectant, team members were not aware of some norms which is changed now.

**COMMENT ON SITUATION AFTER IP TRAINING**

after training ① stopped. of glue tape testing  
 ② use of antiseptic  
 ③ autoclave strip application started register started  
 ④ Hand washing style changed  
 ⑤ Bleaching style explained to every staff  
 ⑥ Cidex & three-pipe hang style used  
 ⑦ but administrative OT status of FDS (at CUC) it needed to be changed accordingly

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Letter of appreciating from the state administration lauding the impact of IP training

There were many practices which were not prevalent before the training such as, using bleach for cleaning the OTs; non-maintenance of autoclave register and indicator tape.

“The training brought in behaviour change and change in many practices across the participants. We had observed that earlier they were not using *cidex* solution for disinfecting instruments, as the awareness level was very poor. But now they have started using the disinfectant solution,” shares Gaurav.

The training helped in bringing in behavioural changes, hand hygiene is now strictly followed; *cidex* solution is being used; autoclave register is being maintained and indicator tape is being used.

