Unit 2: Disease Prevention

Instructional Activities for Adults

PKIDs’ Infectious Disease Workshop

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Introduction

PKIDs (Parents of Kids with Infectious Diseases) is a national nonprofit agency whose mission is to educate the public about infectious diseases, the methods of prevention and transmission, and the latest advances in medicine; to eliminate the social stigma borne by the infected; and to assist the families of the children living with hepatitis, HIV/AIDS, or other chronic, viral infectious diseases with emotional, financial and informational support.

Remaining true to our mission, we have designed the Infectious Disease Workshop (IDW), an educational tool for people of all ages and with all levels of understanding about infectious diseases. In this workshop, you will learn about bacteria and viruses, how to prevent infections, and how to eliminate the social stigma that too often accompanies diseases such as HIV or hepatitis C.

We hope that both instructors and participants come away from this workshop feeling comfortable with their new level of education on infectious diseases.

The IDW is designed to “train-the-trainer,” providing instructors not only with background materials but also with age-appropriate activities for the participants. Instructors do not need to be professional educators to use these materials. They were designed with both educators and laypersons in mind.

The IDW is comprised of a master Instructor’s Background Text, which is divided into six units: Introduction to Infectious Diseases, Disease Prevention, Sports and Infectious Disease, Stigma and Infectious Disease, Civil Rights and Infectious Disease, and Bioterrorism and Infectious Disease.

For each unit, instructors will find fun and helpful activities for participants in five age groups: 2 to 6 years of age, 6 to 9 years of age, 9 to 12 years of age, 13 to 18 years of age and adults.

We welcome any questions, comments, or feedback you may have about the IDW or any other issue relating to infectious diseases in children.

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WORD SEARCH WITH A HIDDEN MESSAGE

LEVEL
Adult

OBJECTIVE
Participants will identify infectious disease terminology.

MATERIALS
One copy of the word search handout (included with lesson) per participant.

PREP
None

INSTRUCTIONAL COMPONENTS
None

ASSESSMENT
The unused letters of the puzzle should spell out the hidden message, “ANYONE CAN GET INFECTED.”
INFECTIOUS DISEASE WORD LIST

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HIDDEN MESSAGE:  

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HEALTHY HABITS DISCUSSION
Avoiding Five Common Disease Transmission Scenarios

LEVEL
Adult

OBJECTIVE
Participants will discuss correct methods for preventing disease transmission in common, everyday activities.

MATERIALS
• Overhead projector and pens.
• Handout on Disease Causing Scenarios included with lesson—1 for each participant, or 1 overhead.

PREP
None

INSTRUCTIONAL COMPONENTS
1. Have participants discuss and evaluate their current practices for preventing disease transmission in daily life. Write down their comments. Suggestions to get the discussion started:
   • What do you, your families, and your coworkers do that helps prevent disease transmission?
   • What disease prevention habits would you like to improve?
   • Name various ways diseases are spread at home and in the workplace.
2. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, there are five common ways in which diseases are transmitted in everyday activities, all of which can be prevented by handwashing. Pass out the included handout or use the overhead projector to review them with participants.
3. Have participants re-evaluate their daily habits using the information on the handout.
4. Discuss ways in which problem areas can be addressed and resolved.

ASSESSMENT
Participants are encouraged to improve their daily health habits (handwashing in particular) at home and at work.
In all of these scenarios, disease transmission can be prevented by handwashing (scrubbing with warm water and soap for at least 15 seconds).

**HANDS to FOOD**: Microscopic amounts of body waste may stick to our hands and get on the food we prepare, if we don’t wash after using the toilet.

**INFANT to HANDS to OTHER CHILDREN**: Traces of body waste can adhere to hands after changing a baby’s diaper. That waste can then be transferred to others we touch, if we don’t wash our hands.

**FOOD to HANDS to FOOD**: Raw, uncooked foods like chicken and eggs may contain harmful germs. When handling these foods, it is important to wash our hands before handling any other foods. While cooking the chicken or eggs will kill any germs present on them, the other raw foods we touch, e.g., salad, will retain the harmful germs.

**NOSE/MOUTH/EYES to OTHERS**: Germs can be found in saliva, mucous and nasal discharge. Sneezing, coughing, or rubbing the eyes or nose and then touching people prior to washing hands can transmit germs.

**FOOD to HANDS to INFANTS**: In the same way germs can be transmitted from certain uncooked food to other foods, they can also be transmitted to an infant if the caregiver neglects to wash his/her hands between food preparation and tending the infant.
STANDARD PRECAUTIONS
Practice/Demonstration Stations

LEVEL
Adult

OBJECTIVE
Participants will practice and/or observe proper practice of standard precautions.

MATERIALS
1. *Handwashing and Gloves Station:* Must effectively demonstrate proper methods for washing hands, when to use gloves, and then explain why these precautions are important.
   - Alcohol-based handrub.
   - Soap.
   - Sink (can be a prop).
   - Non-permeable gloves.
   - Plastic bag for “garbage.”
   - Plastic sandwich bags (demo as substitute if no gloves are available).
2. *Mask and Eye Protection Station:* Must effectively demonstrate use of eye/face protection equipment and explain why these precautions are important.
   - Goggles.
   - Surgical-type mask.
   - Bandanna.
   - Face shield.
   - Glasses/sunglasses (demo as substitute if no goggles are available).
3. *Contaminated Clothing Station:* Must effectively demonstrate procedures for isolating and cleaning soiled clothing and explain why these precautions are important.
   - Various articles of clothing.
   - Fake blood (ketchup for clothing that can be ruined, construction paper for good clothing).
   - Plastic bag with twist-tie (for storage of clothes until cleaned or disposed of).
   - Bottle of bleach (preferably empty)—to add to laundry wash cycle.
4. *Dinnerware and Other Inanimate Objects:* Must effectively demonstrate procedures for cleaning and disposing of various items and explain why these procedures are important.
   - Dish, cup, spoon—1 of each: washable and disposable.
   - Sharps container (optional?)—show single use disposal of sharp objects.
   - Garbage bag in garbage can with lid (or some other means of showing how to keep items in the garbage out of reach of children)—show disposal of single use non-sharp objects.
   - Plastic toys—show disinfection of multiple use objects.
   - Countertop—show disinfection of multiple use objects.
5. **Resuscitation—optional:** Must effectively demonstrate use of barriers during resuscitation and explain why these precautions are important.
   - Doll or mannequin.
   - Mouthpieces, resuscitation bags, plastic wrap with hole in it—to show means of providing barrier between individuals. **However, resuscitation should only be performed by a trained individual—do not practice on people; use only dolls or mannequins.**

6. **Diaper-Changing Station:** Must effectively demonstrate procedures for cleaning/disinfecting hands and surfaces before and after diaper changes and explain why these precautions are important.
   - Doll.
   - Diaper.
   - Non-permeable gloves.
   - Bleach solution in spray bottle—to clean counter with afterwards.
   - Bleach solution recipe for display.
   - Soap and sink, or other appropriate means of showing handwashing.
   - Plastic-lined garbage can with lid (or other means of keeping out children) for diaper disposal.

7. **Kitchen Station:** Must effectively demonstrate procedures for cleaning/disinfecting hands and surfaces before and after food preparation and explain why these precautions are important.
   - Small refrigerator, box, or picture of refrigerator.
   - Examples of food that should be kept refrigerated.
   - Bleach solution in spray bottle—for cleaning countertops.
   - Example of raw meat.
   - Sink (or simulation of)—to wash hands in after preparing raw meat.
   - Scrubbing brushes or pads—to demonstrate washing them in the dishwasher after use
   - Simulation of dishwasher.

**PREP**
Determine the presentation format. Possibilities include:
- PowerPoint or other “slide show” presentation using graphics/animation to demonstrate concepts.
- Use of objects and props for the instructor to demonstrate to participants or for participants to explore individually in a “hands-on” environment.

**INSTRUCTIONAL COMPONENTS**
1. Explain that standard precautions are various types of actions we can take to prevent infectious disease transmission between ourselves.
2. Note that although standard precautions were issued for health care workers caring for patients in hospitals and other medical settings where the risk of disease transmission is greater, they make sense for everyone in general, and PKIDs has adapted them to everyday situations.
3. For instructor and participant reference, a more detailed explanation of standard precaution concepts for everyday life can be found in the PKIDs’ IDW Unit 2: Disease Prevention Instructor’s Background Text.

4. If you choose a presentation format that allows participants to explore the stations in a hands-on manner, you may wish to first do a demonstration of each activity/station for the entire group so that participants have a better idea of the nature of standard precautions.

5. Allow class time for participants to explore the hands-on stations and/or ask questions.

**ASSESSMENT**

Each participant should be able to use the equipment at each station appropriately and/or should be able to explain why correct use of equipment and procedures is important.
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