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HCAI Mandatory Surveillance Stakeholder Engagement Forum – 28 March 2024

Attendees

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No.	Agenda Items:	Actions
1.	<p>Introduction</p> <p>1.1 Welcome and Introduction</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Zahin Amin-Chowdhury (Principal Scientist, UKHSA) opened the meeting at 10:00 and welcomed attendees. ZAC explained the objectives of the forum are to provide updates on UKHSA's HCAI mandatory surveillance activities, receive feedback from stakeholders on surveillance outputs and processes, and facilitate discussion between all parties. <p>1.2 Actions from the last meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ZAC updated that the actions from the June 2023 meeting had been progressed. Training sessions were delivered in February 2024 both virtually and in-person at UKHSA's London office. 41 participants attended and feedback was positive. Recordings of short training videos on various DCS topics are underway. The first batch will be uploaded to the UKHSA website in the coming weeks. Further in-person and virtual training sessions are in the process of being scheduled for the summer and autumn periods. 	
2.	<p>HCAIDCS updates and issues</p> <p>2.1 HCAI DCS training day</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ZAC provided an update on the HCAI DCS training day which took place in February 2024 covering an overview of the DCS, definitions, epidemiological updates, case capture exercises and prior exposure algorithm. • Feedback was positive overall with 90% stating it was useful. • Attendee feedback was that exercises on data collection, definitions and report building were most useful. Gaps identified in protocol awareness and advanced DCS functions like the data upload wizard. • Further region-specific focus groups will take place to support completion of risk factor/source fields. A standalone data upload wizard training is also planned. <p>2.2 Key protocol updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The protocol updates on admission definitions and virtual wards/intermediate care facilities effective from 1st April 2024 were outlined, with a live Q&A webinar scheduled for 2pm. • A Mentimeter poll was conducted to gather views on the proposed changes. 25 attendees participated in the poll with 80% agreeing with the updated definitions. 	
3.	<p>HCAI surveillance update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rimsha Qureshi (Senior Scientist, UKHSA) gave an epidemiological update on Gram-negative bacteraemia trends including increases in <i>E. coli</i> and <i>Klebsiella</i> spp. seen over past year. Updates were provided on analysis of data stratified by ethnicity and deprivation level and the ongoing investigations into MSSA/CDI rises. • On-going linkage work to explore inequalities and associations with Hospital Episodes Statistics/prescribing data for targeted infections was discussed. • Proposed changes to the approach for attributing cases under military/prison commissioning hubs at a national vs. regional level were outlined. Feedback was invited. • Upcoming enhancements around the UKHSA Fingertips reports, external dashboard and fields review were highlighted. 	
4.	<p>Stakeholder survey</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chris Bell (Scientist, UKHSA) invited attendees to participate in the short stakeholder survey to provide suggestions on surveillance outputs, the DCS and any 	

	<p>other aspects of mandatory surveillance. The purpose is to help UKHSA further improve its processes and outputs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The survey link was shared in the chat for attendees to complete after the meeting. Feedback will be reviewed and inform future surveillance plans where relevant. 	
5.	<p>Summary and AOB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attendees were asked for any other business to discuss but none was raised at this time. • Reminder for the upcoming protocol webinar at 2 pm. • ZAC thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 11:30. 	

Date for next meeting: TBC