



## INFECTION PREVENTION



### Improving *Clostridium difficile* infection rates

We used a nurse-driven SBAR protocol (Situation, Background, Assessment, Recommendation), which reduced *C. difficile* testing and rates by over 50% through:

- ▶ Increasing critical thinking
- ▶ Providing nurse autonomy
- ▶ Improving communication with providers

#### Patient, Family & Community Impact



Reduces patient harm



Reduces complications and patient length of stay



Reduces likelihood of *C. difficile* recurrence

#### Saving Lives, Saving Dollars

INVESTMENT

\$520

STAFF TIME

SAVINGS

\$58k

REDUCTION IN HAIs

Launch date: January 2017

