

# Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health, Office of Healthcare Quality: Regional Initiatives

## Introduction and Overview

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# Program Infrastructure

- National
- **Regional**
- State
  - Reporting Mandates
  - State HAI Plans
  - State Departments of Health, State Hospital Associations, Quality Improvement Organizations, Patient Safety Organizations
- Local

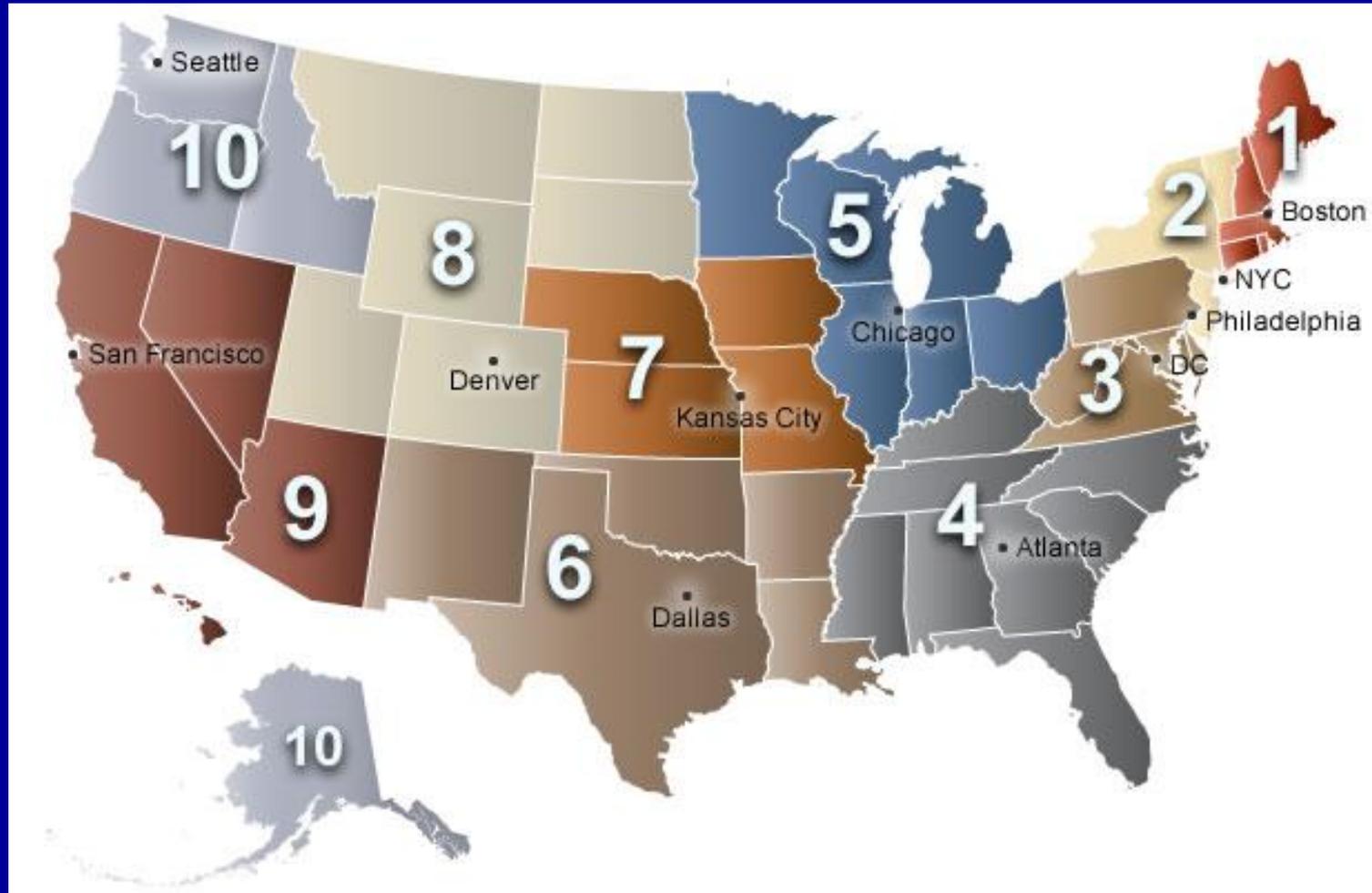


# Regional Projects

- Program Intent
  - Address gaps
  - Build regional infrastructure
- 6 Funded Projects (\$0.5M)
  - 6 Regions (I, II, III, VI, VIII, IX)
- FY 2011



# HHS Regional Offices



# Evaluation

- Gain depth of knowledge
  - State-level activities
  - Barriers and facilitators to implementation
  - Effect of national, regional, and state support for goals
- Key Information Interviews & Focus Groups
  - State-level key informants (provider, insurer, consumer, other stakeholders)



# Regional Project Overview

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# Region I

- Address gaps in HAI prevention in end-stage renal disease (ESRD) facilities
  - States in this region not required to report/analysis HAI data
- Asses scope of HAI prevention needs in ESRD facilities
  - Collect and analyze ESRD HAI data
  - Enroll 12 ESRD facilities in at least 3 states in NHSN
- Identify areas for HAI prevention training



# Region I

- Coordination
  - CMS Region I (QIO projects)
  - CDC - Emerging Infection Program
  - ESRD Network
  - Key State officials (State HAI Coordinators)



# Region II

- Address gaps in HAI prevention knowledge & training in ambulatory surgery centers (ASCs)
  - IP often in a consultancy position
  - Training/materials addresses diverse populations & levels of patient care delivery
- Develop and implement HAI prevention training for ASC facilities in diverse settings
  - Assessment of current resources (NY Injection Safety Program, CDC Hand Hygiene project)
  - In-person, training-of-trainers, webinar
  - New York, New Jersey, Puerto Rico
  - Spanish materials, urban/rural, socio-economic levels



# Region II

- Coordination
  - Advisory Committee - SMEs, APIC, federal agencies, state health partners
  - ASC-specific associations, accrediting bodies
  - ASC Workgroup (HHS Steering Committee)



# Region VI

- Address lack of research/knowledge for a consumer-friendly HAI websites
- Formative research - design for an ideal HAI website for consumers
  - Assess current consumer websites and resources
  - Design/conduct focus group interviews (representative of the diverse region)



# Region VI

- Coordination
  - Outreach and Communications Workgroup (HHS Steering Committee) CDC, OS/ASH
  - Consumer advocates



# Region VIII

- Address variance in HAI prevention capacities across states within Region VIII
- Identify HAI prevention training and communication needs
- Build capacity through targeting trainings
  - Utah, North Dakota, South Dakota



# Region VIII

- Coordination
  - Other regional states not involved in the training project
  - CDC
  - State HAI Coordinators



# Updates, Contact

Regional Projects overview

[http://www.hhs.gov/ash/initiatives/hai/statelevel/state\\_level\\_act.html](http://www.hhs.gov/ash/initiatives/hai/statelevel/state_level_act.html)

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