

# What to Know about Non-traditional Infection Control Consulting (NICC)

The NICC Team are certified infection preventionists committed to providing infection prevention and control education, consultation, and resources to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's non-traditional healthcare communities as they aim to reduce transmissible diseases and conditions, including COVID-19. Non-traditional healthcare settings include behavioral health/psychiatric facilities, drug & alcohol treatment centers, and group homes.

## Mission Statement

To promote improved policies and practices among the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's non-traditional healthcare settings by advising on infection prevention and control (IPC) evidence-based practices and providing supportive consultation, collaboration, skill development, and education.

## Vision Statement

Empower and support non-traditional healthcare settings throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to promote integration of IPC principles into all roles and aspects of care.

## Core Values

- **Collaboration:** We work in a concerted effort with our facilities, internal partners, program offices, and departments to achieve excellence in delivery and outcomes of all IPC principles and practices.
- **Empowerment:** We provide IPC resources, guidance, and support that empowers our partners to successfully implement and manage their facility IPC program, practices, and challenges.
- **Excellence:** We strive for excellence in all aspects of our work to deliver the highest quality service through the dedicated efforts of every team member.

## IPC Services Provided

- Infection prevention and control consultations
- Guided facility assessments
- Policy and guidance interpretation and recommendations (PA DOH, CDC, CMS, DHS, etc.)
- Education and training resources
- Tools and resources to support facility needs including audit tools, checklists, fact sheets, etc.

## IPC Services NOT Provided

- Create facility specific policies and documents
- Provide medical advice
- Approve policies or plans
- On-site assessment or consultations
- Assess regulatory or licensing survey readiness (if applicable), or assist with corrective plan of action related to survey deficiencies

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