
Abstract:

In 2009 our 10 bed PICU joined The National Association of Children’s Hospitals and Related Institutions (NACHRI) Collaborative to eliminate Catheter Associated Blood Stream Infections (CABSI). The design of the Collaborative allows for targeted research that builds on high quality and ongoing data collection. The collaborative consists of 68 PICU teams across the United States to improve the safety and quality of care delivered through staff education and implementation of bundled best practices for insertion and maintenance of central lines. Our challenge was disseminating program information for acceptance of the collaborative in order to target zero CABSI.