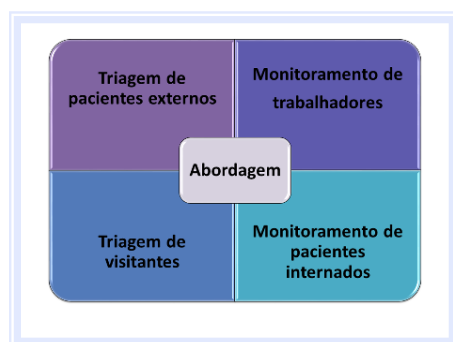


PREVCOVID-BR NEWSLETTER!

ENHANCING THE PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF INFECTION FOR RESPONSE TO COVID-19 IN BRAZIL (PREVCOVID-BR)

PREVCOVID-BR starting activities

Brazil is currently the second country with the largest number of COVID-19 cases worldwide. The occurrence of COVID-19 significantly affects disproportionate health workers and patients admitted to health services. However, it is recognized that good practices in infection prevention and control can prevent transmission in health services. In this context, the project proposal is inserted entitled **“Enhancing the prevention and control of infection to respond to COVID-19 in Brazil”** (PREVCOVID-BR), which is an extension project.



It is a project in improvements, the main goal is to provide support service technician selected health for the coping with COVID-19 and protect workers and

patients, through some actions:

- Quick identification of COVID-19 suspects (outpatients, inpatients, visitors and workers);
- Immediate implementation of specific precautions and isolation;
- Immediate reference for testing and care level according to need and national protocols, state and municipal laws.

The project is under development in public and general hospitals of **São Paulo and Manaus**. The PREVCOVID-BR development relies on participation of experienced trained professionals to work on the project as fellows with administrative or professional functions infection control. Fellows began their activities at participating institutions and all were very well received! In this third week of September we will start data collection, which comprises, in principle, the characterization of hospitals and the first step of assessing responsiveness from hospitals to COVID-19.

DIALOGUES OF PRACTICE PREVCOVID-BR Webinar

Every other week PREVCOVID-BR will develop the “Dialogues of Practice” series. This activity brings together specialists and practitioners in order to discuss problems and find strategies and solutions

to cope with COVID-19. In the format of webinars, these enriching dialogues will be opened to all health professionals. The organization will be through the platform entitled ECHO.

In this latest edition of the Dialogues of Practice Series, themes were “Triage and Isolation”. Our Brazilian colleague **Fernanda Lessa**, who works in International team Infection Control Program (IICP) in the CDC / DHQP presented the points principals to which hospitals should be attentive to screening of patients and visitors.



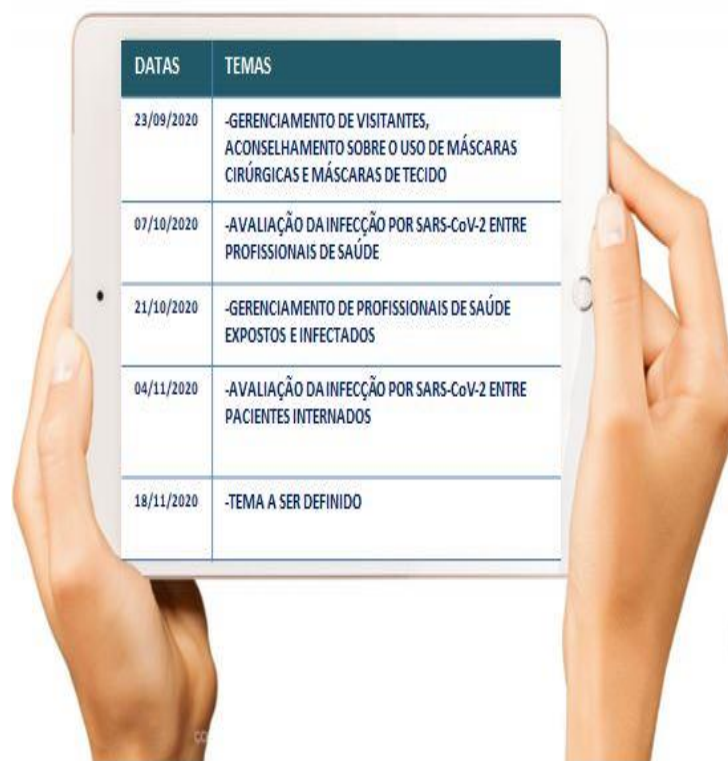
To present the essential elements about isolation and the hospital experience, we counted on **Regia's Damous Fontenele Feijo** participation, infectologist in the Hospital and maternity Vila Alpina.



In the team of panelists, we also have the participation of **Tatyana Ramos**, Coordination State of Infection Prevention and Control Related to Health Care, from the Foundation for Health Surveillance of the State of Amazonas. During the question and answer session, a important debate, especially on the practical issues that afflict hospitals in their daily lives. Professionals from hospitals: Thank you for participating!



WEBINAR PROGRAMMING



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NEXT WEBINAR FROM THE “DIALOGUE OF PRACTICE” SERIES ON 9/23:

MANAGING VISITORS. ADVICE ON THE USE OF MEDICAL AND NON-MEDICAL MASK USE

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