

FIGHT MRSA!
**A Southeastern Pennsylvania
Regional Alliance**

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ABOUT FIGHT MRSA!

- An **alliance** of regional health care providers, schools, public health organizations, and other stakeholders
- Kicked off in November 2007

•Goals:

- To **collaborate** regionally on the most effective programs and initiatives to prevent the spread of MRSA;
- To **eliminate** MRSA from the region;
- To **create** the infrastructure for future MDRO battles.



FIGHT MRSA WORKGROUPS



ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Two regional assemblies:

- Regional and national **expert speakers**;
- Raised **awareness** and solicited **support** for the alliance;
- Exchange of **best practices** in addressing the challenges.



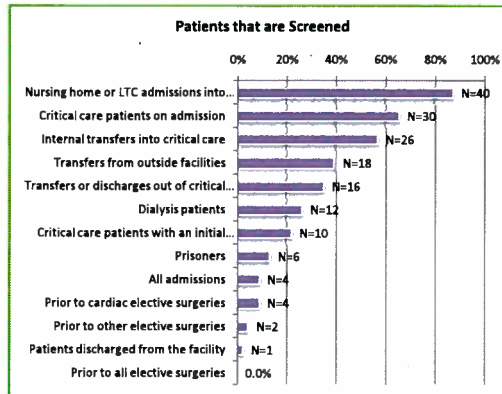
ACCOMPLISHMENTS (continued)

Regional survey on current MRSA practices

47 surveys sent out; 46 completed and returned (97.0% response rate)

Variability across the region in:

- Measurement
- Screening approaches
- Interventions
- Inter-agency communication



ACCOMPLISHMENTS (continued)

Patient and family educational material



Educational material for staff



ACCOMPLISHMENTS *(continued)*

Consensus-based guidelines

Acute Care:

➤ For the **transport** of MRSA patients on Contact Precautions

➤ Environmental cleaning

Long-Term Care:

➤ For the **placement** of residents with MRSA and other MDRO's



OTHER ACCOMPLISHMENTS

•Draft development of a universal patient transfer form;

•Fight MRSA website;

•*Students Fight MRSA* website and contest.

