



Ethics Committee Call

The El Paso County Ethics Committee meets monthly on the first Friday of each month at noon. We meet virtually and also hold an in person meeting every quarter. Please let me know if you would like to be added to the mailing list.

<https://zoom.us/j/93138547873?pwd=QUFDZnJIN3R1OGlkcXlucK5UNXFaUT09>

Mock Code Practice Sessions

Consider holding practice sessions for cardiac arrest training and experience in utilizing BLS training in an actual clinical situation. It is not something that many LTC staff have experience with, and they may benefit from a “mock code” from time to time. I have had several opportunities to run codes in LTC over the years, one recently. From my experience, many LTC staff are usually BLS trained but may not have experience in actually being involved in a code and do not know what to actually do. It's always good to practice once in a while.

If your facility has a protocol to not perform Codes and rather call 911, this may not apply to you.

Legionellosis Review

Are you testing for Legionella in your facility?

[Legionella-review-4_10_2024-RLTCF-All-Facilities-CallDownload](#)

Dementia and Antipsychotics

Antipsychotic use compared with non-use in adults with dementia was associated with increased risks of stroke, venous thromboembolism, myocardial infarction, heart failure, fracture, pneumonia, and acute kidney injury, but not ventricular arrhythmia. The range of adverse outcomes was wider than previously highlighted in regulatory alerts, with the highest risks soon after initiation of treatment.

[Edit Post “Multiple adverse outcomes associated with antipsychotic use in people with](#)



[dementia: population based matched cohort study | The BMJ" < docShepherd — WordPress](#)

FYI— Avian Influenza in the US

[avian-influenza-04172024-HAN-Advisory-A-H5N1Download](#)

[Health-Alert-Network-HAN-00506-_-Highly-Pathogenic-Avian-Influenza-AH5N1-Virus_-Identification-of-Human-Infection-and-Recommendations-for-Investigations-and-ResponseDownload](#)

FYI — Mumps Update and Infections in El Paso county

“The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment has reported an increase of mumps, with 7 cases already identified in 2024 as of April 13. From 2008-2023, Colorado has had an average of 8 cases of mumps annually.”

[Whats-Going-Around-A-Communicable-Disease-Report-March-31-April-132024Download](#)
