Alert: Infection Control and Outbreak Management Training for Nursing Facilities, Assisted Living Facilities, Adult Day Care Centers, and Intermediate Care Facilities for Persons with Mental Retardation

The Department of Aging and Disability Services, in conjunction with the Department of State Health Services, the Austin/Travis County Health and Human Services Department, the Hays County Personal Health Department, and the Williamson County and Cities Health District, is conducting infection control and outbreak management training for facilities.

“Infection Control and Outbreak Management in Long-Term Care Facilities” is a free half-day workshop to provide attendees with tools for identifying, reporting, and managing outbreaks in their facilities. The workshop is specifically targeted for facility administrators, directors of nursing, and infection control practitioners/nurses. Topics include regulatory requirements, infection control, epidemiology of Noroviruses (also known as Norwalk-like viruses), and a lively panel discussion featuring facility administrators with experience in effectively managing outbreaks to reduce the spread of disease. Experts in the field will be available to answer questions and provide valuable guidance and recommendations. Continuing education credits will be available for nursing, social work, and facility administration.

Texas Department of Aging and Disability Services—Regulatory Services Division is an approved provider of continuing nursing education by the Texas Nurses Association, an accredited approver by the American Nurses Credentialing Center’s Commission on Accreditation. This activity meets Type I criteria for mandatory continuing education requirements toward relicensure as established by the Texas Board of Nursing.

Training Dates, Time, and Location

March 24, 2008 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Registration will begin at 7:30 AM
March 31, 2008 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM
Registration will begin at 12:30 PM
Location: Public Hearing Room
Winters Building, 701 West 51st Street, Austin, Texas

You may register for this course online at:

http://www.dads.state.tx.us/providers/training/jointtraining.cfm

Participants must attend the entire training to receive continuing education credits.