

Skilled Nursing Facility Guidance Review

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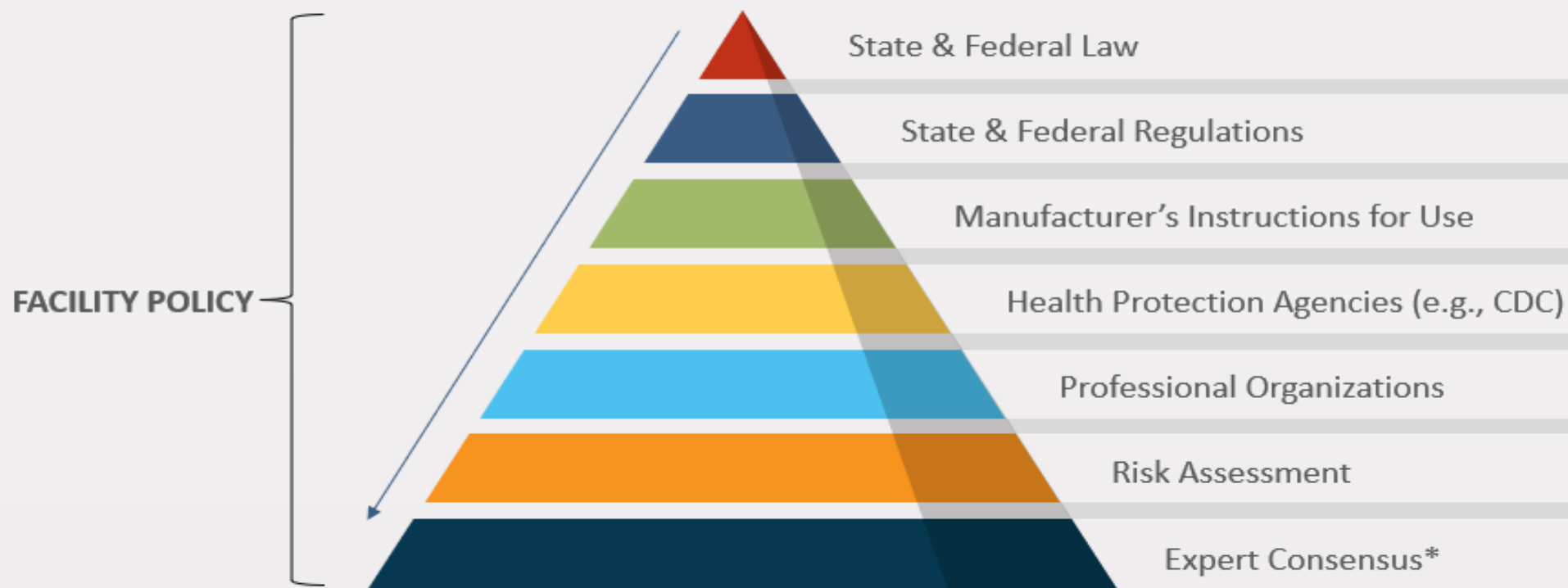
Topics Covered

Source Control versus PPE

Universal use of PPE including Eye Protection

Signs and Symptoms Screening Programs for COVID-19

IPRAT Guidance Hierarchy



State Regulations

- R 325.45135: Infection prevention and control policies and procedures.
- Evidence-based infection prevention program policies
- Available in electronic or written format
- Represent services and resident population served
- Standard precautions
- Transmission-based precautions

Federal Regulations

- Written policies and procedures for program provision
- Facility administration and medical director ensure that:
 - Practices outlined are based on recognized guidelines
 - Incorporates facility assessment
- Reviewed and revised annually and as needed
- Defines and explains standard and transmission-based precautions

Source Control

- Can be used for entire shift
- Removed when soiled, damaged, or hard to breathe through
- Note: source control is not the same as using PPE for:
 - Standard precautions
 - Transmission-based precautions

Standard and Transmission- based Precautions

- Use of PPE for potential infectious material exposure
- Used during care of resident with suspected or confirmed infection
- Removed after resident encounter

Universal Use of PPE

- Implementation based on risk
 - High community transmission level
 - Facility-based factors: outbreak; low source control compliance from residents
- Universal use during all resident encounters:
 - NIOSH-approved N95
 - All aerosol-generating procedures
 - In specific units/areas of facility where risk of transmission is high
 - Eye Protection during all resident encounters

Screening Programs

- MIOSHA and OSHA standards:
 - Screen all residents and visitors entering the setting/facility
 - Screen all employees:
 - Before each workday
 - Each shift
 - Self-monitoring or done in-person by employer
- Additional procedures/protocols based on risk assessment



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