

# **NHSN: OUTPATIENT PROCEDURE COMPONENT SURGICAL SITE INFECTION WB4633R**

**PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:** The goal of this web-on-demand activity is to educate Ambulatory Surgery Center (ASC) healthcare providers on the Outpatient Procedure Component Surgical Site Infection (OPC-SSI) protocol and application of the OPC-SSI protocol in order to improve patient outcomes related to operative procedures performed in an ASC environment.

## **OBJECTIVES:**

At the conclusion of the session, the participant should be able to:

1. Describe four reporting requirements for the OPC-SSI protocol
2. Describe the three SSI tissue levels included in both general and Breast Surgery OPC-SSI criterion
3. Name the four procedural steps in reporting an OPC-SSI event
4. Name the four procedural steps in reporting denominators for procedures
5. Describe two data analysis options for OPC-SSI
6. Describe the three components of the OPC-SSI discharge toolkit
7. Describe my role, responsibilities, and scope of practice as a team member

## **FACULTY/ CREDENTIALS:**

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**CE RENEWAL DATE:** November 23, 2024  
**CE EXPIRATION DATE:** November 23, 2026

**URL:** <https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/training/continuing-edu/cbts.html>

**INTENDED AUDIENCE:** Ambulatory Surgery Center healthcare personnel involved in infection control.

**PREREQUISITES:** Participants should have some clinical background. The participants should be familiar with the National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) Outpatient Procedure Component manual document and NHSN application, available on the NHSN website.

**FORMAT:** This activity is insert Web-based.

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** Office of OID/NCEZID/DHQP, Division of Healthcare Quality Promotion, [NHSN@cdc.gov](mailto:NHSN@cdc.gov)  
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