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8. სტატიას თან უნდა ახლდეს ავტორის მიერ გამოყენებული სამამულო და უცხოური შრომების ბიბლიოგრაფიული სია (ბოლო 5-8 წლის სიღრმით). ანბანური წყობით წარმოდგენილ ბიბლიოგრაფიულ სიაში მიუთითეთ ჯერ სამამულო, შემდეგ უცხოელი ავტორები (გვარი, ინიციალები, სტატიის სათაური, ჟურნალის დასახელება, გამოცემის ადგილი, წელი, ჟურნალის №, პირველი და ბოლო გვერდები). მონოგრაფიის შემთხვევაში მიუთითეთ გამოცემის წელი, ადგილი და გვერდების საერთო რაოდენობა. ტექსტში კვადრატულ ფხიხლებში უნდა მიუთითოთ ავტორის შესაბამისი N ლიტერატურის სიის მიხედვით. მიზანშეწონილია, რომ ციტირებული წყაროების უმეტესი ნაწილი იყოს 5-6 წლის სიღრმის.

9. სტატიას თან უნდა ახლდეს: ა) დაწესებულების ან სამეცნიერო ხელმძღვანელის წარდგინება, დამოწმებული ხელმოწერითა და ბეჭდით; ბ) დარგის სპეციალისტის დამოწმებული რეცენზია, რომელშიც მითითებული იქნება საკითხის აქტუალობა, მასალის საკმაობა, მეთოდის სანდოობა, შედეგების სამეცნიერო-პრაქტიკული მნიშვნელობა.

10. სტატიის ბოლოს საჭიროა ყველა ავტორის ხელმოწერა, რომელთა რაოდენობა არ უნდა აღემატებოდეს 5-ს.

11. რედაქცია იტოვებს უფლებას შეასწოროს სტატია. ტექსტზე მუშაობა და შეჯერება ხდება საავტორო ორიგინალის მიხედვით.

12. დაუშვებელია რედაქციაში ისეთი სტატიის წარდგენა, რომელიც დასაბეჭდად წარდგენილი იყო სხვა რედაქციაში ან გამოქვეყნებული იყო სხვა გამოცემებში.

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RISK FACTORS OF IN-HOSPITAL INFECTIONS OCCURRENCE IN HEALTHCARE INSTITUTIONS IN UKRAINE AND EU COUNTRIES

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Abstract.

The rapid development of modern scientific medicine and practice (development of genetic engineering, coronary angiography, use of microprocessors (microminiature implant in eye retina, 3D-print of implants, prostheses) is connected with the scientific-technical progress in recent years, which gave impetus to introduction of extremely complex treatment and diagnostic methods. The use of high-tech medical equipment requires the implementation of modern sanitary and anti-epidemic measures of disinfection and sterilization after each manipulation to prevent in-hospital infection/infectious diseases which are related to the grant of medicare (IHI/IPNMD). Every year in the USA, up to 2 million patients who received medical services are registered with IHI/IPNMD cases. IHI/IPNMD is the cause of increased mortality, disability, lengthens stay period of patients in hospitals, increases the financial burden on both patients and healthcare system. According to WHO data mortality from IHI/IPNMD among adult patients ranges from 18.5% to 29.6% and in countries with low- and middle-income level fluctuate in the range of 8.8%-88.9%. Thus, the vital issue today is to strengthen the control system over IHI/IPNMD at all stages of its spread, namely: early detection of sick persons and carriers among patients and medical personnel, monitoring resistance to antibiotics and control over their use in patients treatment, expanding the range of scientific research in the development of new groups of antibacterial drugs, compliance with the sanitary-epidemic regime in hospitals, including the elaboration of modern disinfectants and sterilization agents.

Key words. In-hospital infections/infectious diseases which are related to the grant of medicare, nosocomial pathogens, healthcare institutions, microclimate, natural and artificial lighting, disinfectants.

Introduction.

Infections, associated with the provision of medical aid or nosocomial infections are high risk for patients receiving treatment in healthcare institutions (HCIs). Every year in the USA, 1.7 million hospitalized patients suffer from in-hospital infections/ infectious diseases which are related to the grant of medicare (IHI/IPNMD). This causes increased mortality, disability, lengthens stay period of patients in hospitals and increases the financial burden on both patients and healthcare system. In addition, IHI/IPNMD are associated with the development of pathogenic bacteria and fungi resistance to antimicrobial drugs. Medical staff and patients can be a source of infection in healthcare institutions, where they stay. Pathogens that carry the risk of IHI/IPNMD appearance tend to persist on the surface of patients' skin for a long time, so when the patient

is discharged home, he may be an IHI/IPNMD carrier [1-3].

According to WHO data, mortality index from infectious diseases takes second place in the overall ranking of death causes. In the world, infectious diseases remain a medical, social, and economic burden. IHI/IPNMD in high-income countries according to the European Center for Disease Prevention and Control range from 5.7% to 19.1% with an overall prevalence of 10.1%. According to WHO data, mortality from IHI/IPNMD among adult patients ranges from 18.5% to 29.6% and in low- and middle-income countries it ranges from 8.8% to 88.9%. In Italy, the number of people infected with IHI/IPNMD every year is between 450,000-700,000, while in 30% of cases the infections could have been prevented. In Ukraine, IHI/ IPNMD account for 40% due to low efficiency of medical and technical equipment in health care institutions. insufficient provision of health care institutions in the world and in Ukraine, in particular, with medical equipment, non-compliance with sanitary and technical, microclimate regulations, limitations in high-quality and permanent water supply, disruption of heat and energy supply lead to IHI/IPNMD emergence [4-6].

According to Cassini A, the burden of IHI/ IPNMD as compared to the other infectious diseases, such as influenza and tuberculosis, is a constant problem. According to the European Center for Disease Prevention and Control, each year in the European Union and the European Economic Area (EU/EEA), there are 2.6 million new cases of IHI/ IPNMD, which roughly corresponds to 2.5 million DALY (1 disability-adjusted life year), which is 261 DALY per 100 thousand population. This indicator combines the burden of mortality and morbidity. WHO uses DALY to quantify the cost-effectiveness of programs, prioritized in diseases fight, that exceed WHO indicators in different countries. These programs aim to develop preventive measures to reduce the burden impact. The most common IHIs are pneumonia, urinary tract infections, post-surgery infections, neonatal sepsis, primary bloodstream infection that may occur as a result of medical aid provision [7,8]. The data obtained by Duszynska W confirms that part of patients, who caught IHI during provision of medical care in a hospital was 18.6%, which increased to 17.5+2.56/1000 bed-days. The incidence rate of ventilator-associated pneumonia was 54.4%, central bloodstream infection – 36.0%, catheter-associated urinary tract infection – 9.6%. The most common pathogens were multiresistant *Acinetobacter baumannii* (31%) and *Staphylococcus epidermidis* (45%) [9].

Materials and methods.

Retrospective analysis of the Ministry of Health of Ukraine form No. 18 "Report on the control over the environmental factors,

affecting the population health" of the Government Institution "Vinnytsia Regional Laboratory Center of the Ministry of Health of Ukraine" for the period of 2019-2021 was carried out. The total number of measurements according to form № 18 was 1473. The paper used content analysis of domestic and foreign scientific sources, as well as bibliosemantic (to analyze the use of regulatory and legal regulations), theoretical (retrospective use of scientific research data based on scientific literature, electronic resources) and analytical methods of research.

Statistical processing of the research results was performed in the licensed standardized package "Statistica 13.3 for Windows" and included the nature of characteristics distribution analysis using the Shapiro-Wilk's W test and the analysis of discrepancies, using the Mann-Whitney test.

Results and Discussion.

The results of laboratory monitoring of natural and artificial lighting, microclimate in medical-preventive institutions (MPI) of Vinnytsia region indicate deviations from hygienic standards in some part of checked MPI.

The level of natural lighting in Vinnytsia region hospital wards met the sanitary-hygienic requirements according to DLF indicator (DLF) and was at the level of 1.0-1.5%. According to the data (Figure 1), it was established that the highest rate of workplaces mismatch in medical-preventive institutions of Vinnytsia region was 10.7% in 2019, and the lowest in 2021 was 5.3%. The workplaces discrepancy in medical-preventive institutions leads to an increase in errors frequency (needle injections, cuts, etc.) on the part of medical workers during medical manipulations and increases IHI risks.

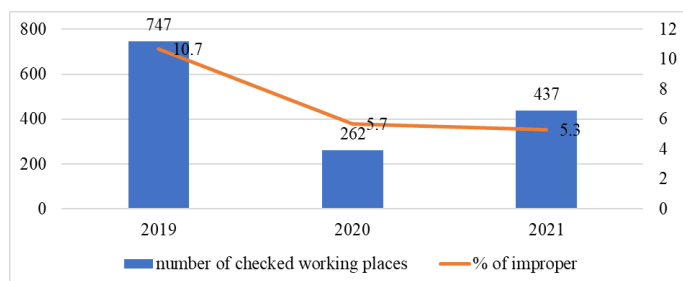


Figure 1. Indicators of artificial lighting in medical-preventive institutions of Vinnytsia region during 2019-2021, %.

Investigations conducted by Stockwell R (2019), Mousavi M.S (2019), Dai R (2021) and the others showed in a systematic review and meta-analysis during 2000-2020 that the average total bioaerosol concentrations in various hospitals were the highest in inpatient institutions. Hospital premises with natural ventilation had the highest indicators of bioaerosols total concentration (bacterial load), and the use of high-tech mechanical ventilation systems in hospital premises helped to improve air quality and reduce the risk of airborne IHI/IPNMD. Environmental parameters can be related to source of generation, survival, dispersion, and sedimentation rate of microorganisms. Bacterial load in health care institutions depends on many factors: temperature, humidity, speed of air movement, mechanical ventilation system. The obtained data of scientists confirm the importance of controlling ventilation

systems and microclimate parameters to reduce the risk of IHI/IPNMD [10-13].

The obtained data of Yousefzadeh A (2022), Hiwar W (2022) confirm the importance of controlling ventilation and parameters of environment, microclimate, bacterial air load, density, and diversity of bioaerosols in hospital premises to reduce the risk of air and medical surfaces contamination in hospital environment [14,15].

During the study period, in all HCFs of Vinnytsia Oblast, the inconsistency of microclimate parameters with hygienic requirements fluctuated at 9.5% in 2019 and was characterized by a decrease in the proportion of non-compliant workplaces – 4.4-4.2% (2020-2021) according to DSTU 3.36.042-99 «Sanitary norms of microclimate of industrial premises» (2020-2021) (Figure 2).

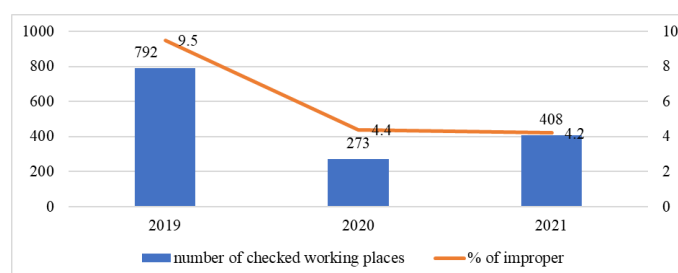


Figure 2. Indicators of meteorological factors in medical-preventive institutions of Vinnytsia region in 2019-2021, %.

Changes in microclimate and air environment parameters significantly affect the sanitary-hygienic and anti-epidemic regime of medical-preventive institutions. Creation of sanitary-hygienic conditions in hospitals is an important factor in IHI/IPNMD prevention, optimizing hospital environment, improving the working conditions of medical personnel and also rapid patients' recovery. One of the most important sanitary and hygienic requirements in hospitals (in wards, doctors' offices, dining rooms, and other premises) is to create silence, i.e., the noise level in these premises should not exceed 30 dB.

According to the analysis of Form No. 18, 2693 measurements were made over the years. In all the HCFs of Vinnytsia Oblast during the study period, the discrepancy between noise parameters (equivalent sound level) and hygienic requirements was 3.7% (2019) and 3.17% (2020), while the rest met the parameters.

The data obtained by Yousefzadeh A (2022), Hiwar W (2022), Gizaw Z (2016) confirm the importance of controlling ventilation and environmental parameters, microclimate, bacterial load of air, density and diversity of bioaerosols in hospital premises to reduce the risk of air and medical surfaces infection in the hospital environment [16-18].

Research by Napolitano N.A (2015), Ontario H.Q (2018) confirmed the effectiveness of ultraviolet radiation for environment disinfection in healthcare institutions. Decrease in IHI/IPNMD incidence by 34.2% and reduction in bed-days of patients, undergoing treatment were established [19,20].

IHI/ IPNMD spread is often carried out by air, through household items, medical instruments (video laryngoscope, elastic gastroscope, rectoscope, surgical instruments,

intravascular catheters, insulin pumps, etc.), contact with biomaterial, as well as through contaminated hands skin and hair of medical workers. Weber D (2010) established that the main source of nosocomial pathogens is the endogenous patient's flora and 20-40% of IHI/IPNMD is associated with cross-contamination through hands of medical personnel, which were contaminated by direct contact with patient or indirectly by touching contaminated medical surfaces. Kabala M and the other data (2019) confirm that *Clostridium difficile* spores are present not only on infected patients underwear, but also on medical equipment and medical personnel hands, that is a potential source of danger for the other participants of treatment process [21]. These bacteria proved to be the most resistant to the most common means for surfaces disinfection and anhydrous alcohol-based antiseptics [22]. Implementation of appropriate hand hygiene procedures, as well as disinfection of hospital surfaces will reduce the appearance of spores in the hospital environment and prevent their further spread.

According to scientific research, up to 22.2% of IHI/IPNMD outbreaks are registered in intensive care and resuscitation units in pediatric hospitals: 21.5% – pediatric oncology, 17.7%-18.6% – pediatric neurosurgery, 11.0%-11.2% – pediatric cardiology. In intensive care and resuscitation units for adults, IHI/ IPNMD was detected in 45% of patients, among whom up to 47% were diagnosed with pneumonia, 18% with lower respiratory tract infections, 18% with urinary tract infections and 12% with bloodstream infections. In obstetric hospitals, IHI/ IPNMD fluctuate from 5 to 18% among newborns and 6-8% – among women in labor. Most often, the causative agent of IHI is *Staphylococcus aureus* and the ways of transmission can be contact-household, airborne or fecal-oral. On average, IHI/IPNMD in general-surgical departments makes up to 40% of postoperative mortality. The rate of urinary tract infections in urological departments is 22-40% due to invasive medical and diagnostic manipulations, violations of the sanitary and anti-epidemic regime during endoscopic equipment, intravascular and urethral catheters finish, use of massive antibiotic therapy and formation of hospital associations of microorganism's strains. According to Rudhart S data (2021) flexible endoscopes after manipulation were contaminated with 916.7 CFU (± 1057 CFU) and only after refinishing by ultraviolet radiation, the contamination level decreased to 2.8 CFU (± 1.6 CFU). Research by Vianna P.G (2016) confirmed the effectiveness of non-contact disinfection such as UV radiation, hydrogen peroxide vapors and other automated non-contact technologies to reduce the level of IHI/IPNMD in intensive care units after routine cleaning [23,24].

According to the results of material and instruments for sterility monitoring in intensive care, surgical and maternity wards the highest rate of contamination was found in 2019 (0.72%), in 2020 (2.02%) in intensive care and resuscitation units of Vinnytsia region healthcare institutions in comparison with the other departments (Figure 3).

According to the data of bioaerosol quality study in different health care institutions in Portugal, Verde S (2015) found that in hospital premises air gram-positive cocci were dominating

(up to 88%) of which *Staphylococcus* (51%), *Micrococcus* (37%) and among indoor fungi *Penicillium* (41%) and *Aspergillus* (24%) prevailed. Regular monitoring of hospital air is necessary [25].

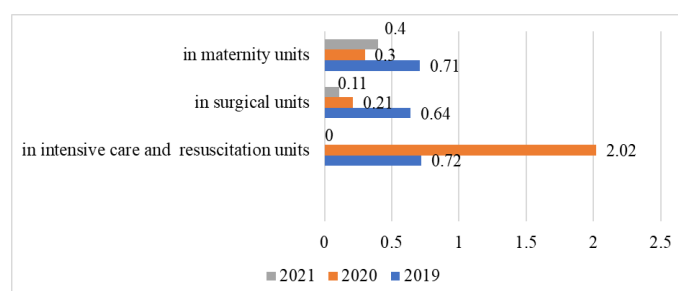


Figure 3. Sanitary-microbiological examination of material and instruments for sterility in health care institutions of Vinnytsia region for 2019-2021, %.

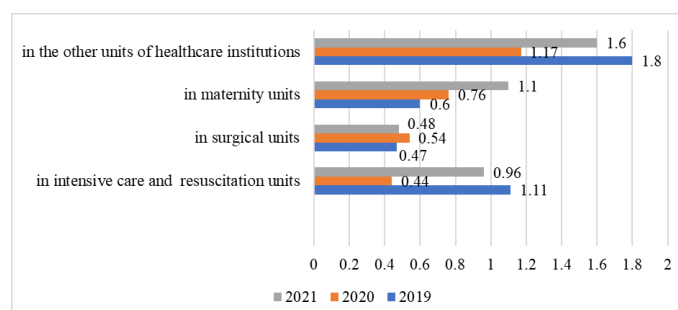


Figure 4. Sanitary-bacteriological examination (inventory, equipment, hands, clothes) in health care institutions of Vinnytsia region for 2019-2021, %.

Sanitary-bacteriological study in Vinnytsia region health care institutions recorded the highest rates of contamination of implements, equipment, medical personnel hands and clothes in intensive care and resuscitation units in 2019 (1.11%), in maternity units in 2021 (1.1%) and during 2019/2020/2021 – 1.8%/1.2%/1.6% respectively in other departments of region health care institutions.

American scientists conducted observations over four years (1980-1984) on postoperative complications. They found that postoperative UTIs were 6.1 per 1000 discharged patients. In the United States, 325 thousand cases of surgical wound infections are reported annually through the transmission of infection by hands/medical gloves, medical instruments/materials, or airborne (aerogenic) transmission. The losses incurred by the US economy from IPIHMD amount to 5-10 billion dollars annually [26,27].

The factors that cause IHI/ IPNMD outbreaks are non-compliance with the sanitary and anti-epidemic regime, namely: inadequate control over the sanitary and anti-epidemic regime in health care institutions: placement/capacity of patients, cyclical filling of wards, etc. Carry out the detection of bacterial carriers among medical personnel during preventive medical checkups and among patients, when admitted for treatment.

Each medical worker is obliged to conduct self-monitoring

of IHI/ IPNMD signs and symptoms, timely inform and self-isolate under the supervision of a family doctor.

To improve the sanitary and anti-epidemic regime and prevent IHI Querido M.M. (2019) suggested to use self-disinfecting surfaces, which play an important role in microorganism's reproduction, and which are often neglected during finishing [28]. Recently, much attention has been paid to the use of surfaces with anti-adhesive properties, embedded antimicrobial substances or modified biologically active metals.

Considerable attention is also given to hand hygiene of medical personnel in terms of IHI/ IPNMD prevention. In healthcare institutions of the EU countries, medical staff monitors the results of patients questioning upon admission to the hospital and 1, 2, 3 months after discharge for control over IHI/ IPNMD in the institution. All data are transferred to infection prevention services of the EU countries. For this purpose, in healthcare institutions of the EU countries accessibility to hand washing stations: dispensers with alcohol-based disinfectants outside the wards, namely in corridors, next to manipulations room, is of great importance. Puto G. and the others (2020) indicate that despite the fact that about 90% of medical personnel have knowledge about hand hygiene, only 70% comply with these requirements [29].

Among the reasons of IHI/ IPNMD occurrence and spread the most common is the improper organization and conduct of medical staff mandatory preventive medical examinations in health care institutions.

Thus, among surgical departments medical staff, index of asymptomatic carriage ranges from 40-85.7% and is a threat to patients, who receive medical aid in health care institutions. Individuals, who are asymptomatic carriers can constantly release pathogens into the environment, that is a high risk for IHI/ IPNMD occurrence. According to Baron S.W. (2020), during the study of 220 patients 9.6% out of them were asymptomatic carriers of *Clostridium difficile*. For IHI/ IPNMD prevention and prophylaxis, it is necessary to conduct asymptomatic carriers screening both among medical workers and among patients [30].

Conclusion.

Thus, IHI/ IPNMD remains a significant medical, social, and economic burden for the global community. WHO and the European Center for Disease Prevention and Control are constantly working to reduce the impact of factors that contribute to IHI/ IPNMD occurrence and their consequences. Thus, the vital issue today is to strengthen the control system over IHI/ IPNMD at all stages of its spread, namely, early detection of sick persons and carriers among patients and medical personnel, monitoring resistance to antibiotics and control over their use in patients treatment, expanding the range of scientific research in the development of new groups of antibacterial drugs, compliance with the sanitary-epidemic regime in hospitals, including the elaboration of modern disinfectants and sterilization agents.

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**РЕЗЮМЕ.
ФАКТОРЫ РИСКА ВОЗНИКНОВЕНИЯ
ВНУТРИБОЛЬНИЧНЫХ ИНФЕКЦИЙ В
ЗАВЕДЕНИЯХ ЗДРАВООХРАНЕНИЯ УКРАИНЫ И
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Бурное развитие современной научной медицины и практики (развитие генной инженерии, коронарное стентирование, использование микропроцессоров (микроминиатюрный имплантат в сетчатку глаза, 3D-печать имплантатов, протезов)), которое связано с научно-техническим прогрессом за последние годы, дало толчок к введению чрезвычайно сложных лечебных и диагностических методов. Использование высокотехнологичного медицинского оборудования требует проведения современных санитарно-противоэпидемических мероприятий обеззараживание и стерилизация после каждой манипуляции для профилактики внутрибольничной инфекции (ВБИ). Случаи ВБИ ежегодно в США регистрируют до 2 млн. пациентов, которым оказывали медицинские услуги. ВБИ является причиной повышенной смертности, инвалидизации, продлевает сроки нахождения пациентов в стационаре, повышает финансовую нагрузку как на пациентов, так и на систему здравоохранения. Смертность от ВБИ за данным ВОЗ среди взрослых пациентов составляет от 18.5% до 29.6%, а в странах с низким и средним уровнем дохода колеблется в пределах от 8.8% до 88.9%. Таким образом, актуальным вопросом сегодняшнего дня является усиление системы контроля за ВБИ на всех этапах ее распространения, а именно, раннее выявление больных и носителей среди пациентов и медицинского персонала, мониторинг по устойчивости к антибиотикам и контроль за их использованием для лечения пациентов, расширение спектра научных исследований в направлении разработки новых групп антибактериальных препаратов, соблюдение санитарно-эпидемического режима в стационарах, в том числе разработка современных дезинфицирующих средств.

Ключевые слова: внутрибольничные инфекции, нозокомиальные патогены, учреждения охраны здоровья, микроклимат, естественное и искусственное освещение, дезинфицирующие средства.