



# Hand Hygiene Self-Assessment



## We asked frontline staff about their hand hygiene practice

**95%**

Fingernails are always clean and short (less than 3mm)

**71%**

Always remove jewelry prior to performing hand hygiene

**90%**

Always perform hand hygiene prior to contact with the client, their environment or equipment

**78%**

Always clean their hands prior to any aseptic procedure

**89%**

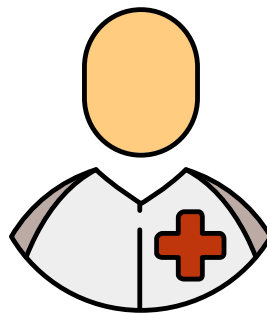
Always clean their hands after body fluid exposure

**92%**

Always perform hand hygiene after contact with the client, their environment or equipment

**98%**

Always clean their hands with soap and water when hands are visibly soiled



**82%**

Always clean their hands before putting on and after taking off gloves

### Staff Comments:

- I am not provided with ABHR, hand soap or paper towels when I work in the client's home or when doing outreach work
- I don't have access to a hand hygiene sink or the client will not let me use theirs
- The hand hygiene products provided to me through the contracted provider are heavily scented and cause skin breakdown
- I am not provided with hand lotion to protect my skin integrity
- Some of my colleagues have artificial nails
- Hand Hygiene opportunities in MHSU settings are delayed due to not using ABHR in client care areas for safety reasons
- ABHR is not available at POC inside exam rooms - makes it difficult to change gloves and perform hand hygiene between procedures
- I don't have any concerns as I maintain good hygiene practices. I remain open and committed to any new changes with regard to hand hygiene

