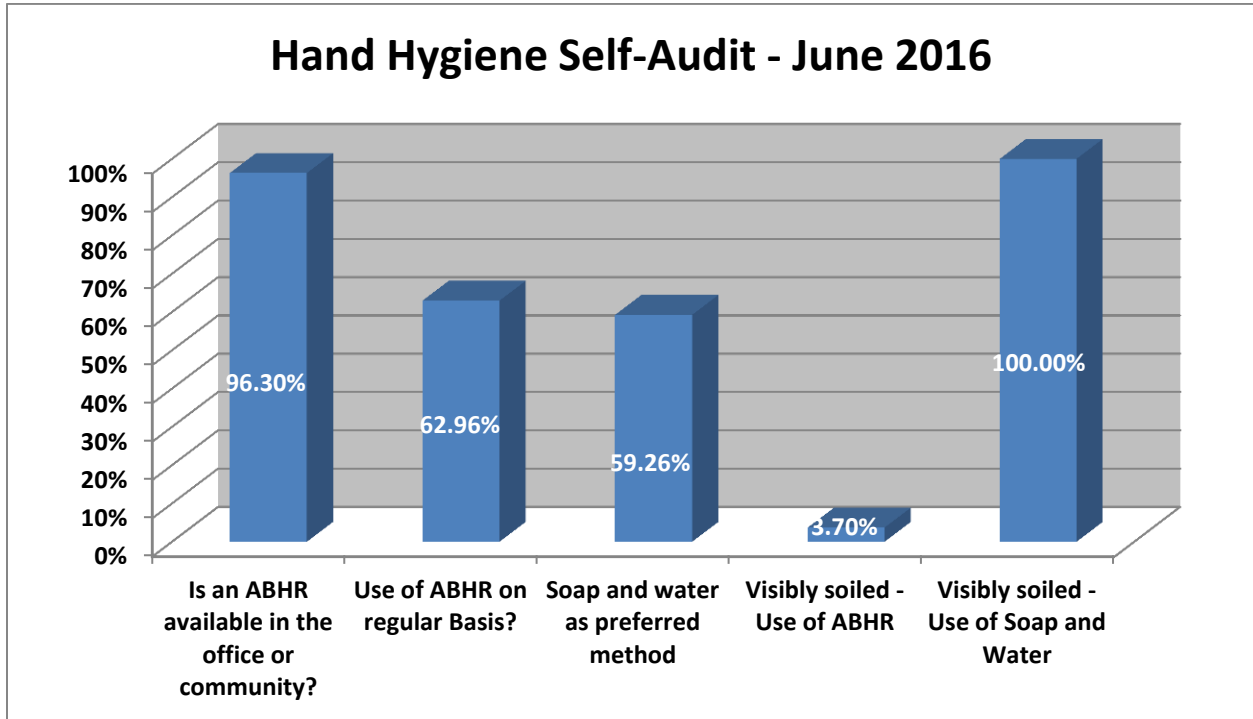


Hand Hygiene Audit Results – June 2016

In June 2016, 27 staff members completed a self-audit of our hand hygiene practices at all our Resource Centres and Administration offices. I am encouraged by the results as it appears our staff are practicing acceptable hand hygiene habits but there is still work to be done based on the information below.

Results of the audit:



Staff provided the following as feedback:

- Give each worker personal sized sanitizer to go on lanyard or pocket.
- Managers and staff should role model for clients and provide reminders to staff
- Improve quality of hand sanitizers; provide workers with travel kits; offer lotion since hand washing and sanitizing can dry hands, reminders during cold and flu season
- Placement and frequency of ABHR dispensers should be visible to staff and visitors
- Keep signs reminding people up, remind clients, have hand sanitizer readily available in all offices

Staff have been asked to follow-up with the Administrative staff at their worksite if infection prevention supplies (i.e. ABHR bottles, face masks, disinfectant spray or wipes, etc.) are needed.

A major contributor to preventing infections and illnesses in the workplace is for all staff members and agency visitors to practice proper hand hygiene habits. Another random hand hygiene self-audit will take place in the near future. Those results will be shared once they are available.

Feedback or recommendations for CMHA Niagara's Hand Hygiene program can be emailed to hr@cmhaniagara.ca

Thank you!