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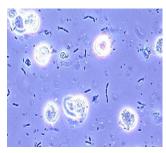
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CAUTI (Catheter Associated Urinary Tract Infection)



CAUTI is one of the most frequently encountered infections today, accounting for 40% of all health care-associated infections. Changes in reimbursement policies have focused attention on the use of indwelling catheters in inpatients as well as their role in hospital-acquired urinary tract infections.

■ UTI Infection viewed under a microscope

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UPDATE

Last month our newsletter explored economic aspects of hospital-acquired infections.

Since then, the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC) have issued Guidelines for the Prevention of Intravascular Catheter-Related Infections.

Please contact the Library for a copy of this latest guideline.