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Community-acquired *Clostridium difficile*

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The epidemiology of *Clostridium difficile* is changing. Typically associated as a nosocomial infection, it is now seen within the community in patients with few or no risk factors. This change has been attributed to a more virulent strain known as the North American Pulsed Field type 1, which is correlated with higher morbidity and mortality. This presentation will review the research findings depicting an increase incidence in community-acquired *Clostridium difficile*, its' changing epidemiology and clinical implications.

Biography

Cheryl Juneau is an Associate Professor and Track Administrator for the Family Nurse Practitioner program at the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston, Texas. She is certified as a Family Nurse Practitioner with over 20 years of clinical experience and 15 years of teaching experience.

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