

InfectionShield Launches 10 Minute IPAC Mini Assessment to Help LTC Homes Strengthen Infection Prevention Readiness

Infection Shield launches free 10-min IPAC Mini Assessment to help LTC homes quickly identify gaps and boost infection control readiness.

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InfectionShield, a Canadian leader in infection prevention and control (IPAC) consulting for long term care (LTC) communities, today unveiled its new online IPAC [Mini Assessment](#), a no cost, 10 minute diagnostic designed to help homes rapidly pinpoint critical compliance gaps and prioritize corrective actions before the next respiratory virus surge.

A universally relevant tool—built with Ontario rigour

Developed by InfectionShield's team

of certified IPAC specialists and aligned with Public Health Ontario (PHO) best practices, the Mini Assessment brings the same evidence based approach used in the firm's comprehensive on site audits to a quick, self guided questionnaire. Only one question references a requirement unique to Ontario's Fixing Long Term Care Act; the remaining sections reflect universally accepted LTC IPAC standards, making the tool valuable to homes in all provinces—and internationally—seeking to benchmark against top tier performance indicators.

Turning guidance into actionable data

After completing the secure survey, each participant can assess:

- Personalized Scorecard – Personalized score across surveillance, vaccination, environmental cleaning, PPE practices, and outbreak management based on your response.
- 30 Day Action Checklist – prioritized tasks mapped to high impact Ministry and PHO



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guidelines.

- Resource Access – Connect with [Infection Shield](#) to get helpful resources based on your specific scorecard.
- Optional Follow Up Consultation – a complimentary 15 minute review call with an Infection Shield consultant to interpret results and outline next steps.

A spokesperson for Infection Shield's National Chief Infection Control Office stated:

“Long term care teams are inundated with checklists, but what they really need is a fast, evidence based way to see exactly where they stand—then a clear path to fix the gaps. The Mini Assessment distills ministry guidance into a ten minute exercise and delivers an action plan the same day.”

Meeting new challenges with data driven readiness

Recent provincial inspections show respiratory virus preparedness remains a top citation category for LTC operators. Key weak points include inconsistent vaccine documentation, incomplete environmental cleaning logs, and limited staff refresher training on PPE donning and doffing, as well as improper surveillance. Infection Shield's internal benchmarking indicates that homes closing these three gaps see a 35% reduction in infection related incident reports within three months.

The Mini Assessment was beta tested with a cross section of urban and rural LTC facilities ranging from 60 to 350 beds. Feedback highlighted its brevity, clarity, and actionable output—features Infection Shield believes will accelerate adoption ahead of the 2025–26 outbreak season.

How to participate

LTC administrators, Directors of Care, and IPAC leads can access the assessment immediately at:

https://infectioncontrolresources.com/mini_assessment/

No sign up is required beyond a valid work email, and all responses remain confidential.

The graphic is a promotional poster for the 'IPAC Mini-Assessment Guide for Long Term Care'. At the top, it features the 'INFECTION SHIELD CONSULTING INC.' logo. Below the logo is a photograph of an elderly woman with glasses and a healthcare worker in blue scrubs sitting on a couch, engaged in a conversation. The title 'IPAC Mini-Assessment Guide for Long Term Care' is prominently displayed in a green banner. Underneath the title, there are five circular icons representing the assessment's steps: 'Immediate Insights' (a magnifying glass), 'Identify Gaps' (a magnifying glass), 'Reduce Compliance Risks' (a shield with a checkmark), 'Prepare for Audits' (a document with a checkmark), and 'Baseline for Improvement' (a plus sign). At the bottom left, contact information is provided: 'infectionshield.com', 'info@infectionshield.com', and '1(844)999-6368'. At the bottom right is the 'INFECTION SHIELD' logo, which consists of a stylized shield with a person inside.

IPAC Mini-Assessment

InfectionShield will release anonymized, aggregated benchmark data later this year to help the sector identify province wide trends and emerging risks.

About InfectionShield

InfectionShield is a Toronto based infection prevention and control consultancy dedicated to elevating safety and compliance in long term care, retirement, dental, and congregate living settings across Canada. Services include comprehensive IPAC audits, real time PPE and hand hygiene monitoring apps, outbreak support, staff education, and policy development. With more than a decade of sector experience, InfectionShield helps healthcare organizations turn complex regulatory requirements into practical routines that protect residents, staff, and reputations. Learn more at www.infectionshield.ca.

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