



# Knowledge Gaps on Clean Birth in Health Facilities

Water, Sanitation & Hygiene in Health Care Facilities  
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# The Soapbox Collaborative - Background



Focus 1 - Soapbox Action:  
training, infrastructure,  
advice, advocacy

Focus 2 - Soapbox  
Know-how: research,  
resource development,  
sharing lessons



# Emerging Priorities

1. Training of “cleaners” (orderlies, domestics, etc.)
2. Environmental microbiology
3. Lack of data on sepsis



# 1. Training of Cleaners

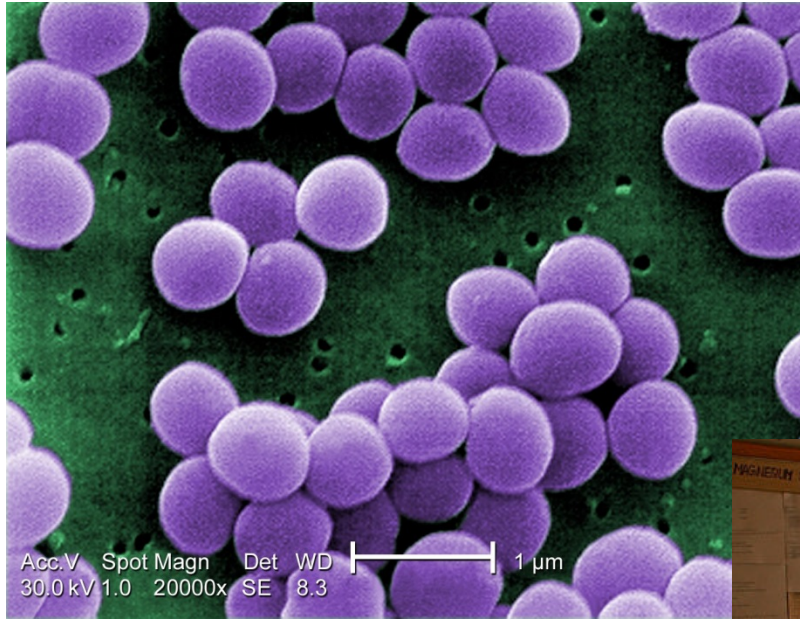
*"I did not get any training on IPC here. I have enriched myself learning by doing."*

Orderly (Public Facility, Bangladesh)

*"If class 4 [cleaning staff] is given education and various training regarding infection and what are the problems to the patient due to infection and what is the effect of infection on maternal and infant death, if that type of education is given to them in their local language so it will be a good improvement"*

Manager (Public Facility, India)

# 2. Environmental Microbiology



# 3. Lack of Data on Sepsis



*“We do not have any facility monitoring system for infection prevention in this hospital. As the electric boiler is defective we do not use, we wash delivery instruments with water after each procedure and keep those in a tray. I have no idea how women are not getting infected, either God is saving them or the sepsis cases are not re-admitting to this hospital.”*

Healthcare Provider, Bangladesh

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