

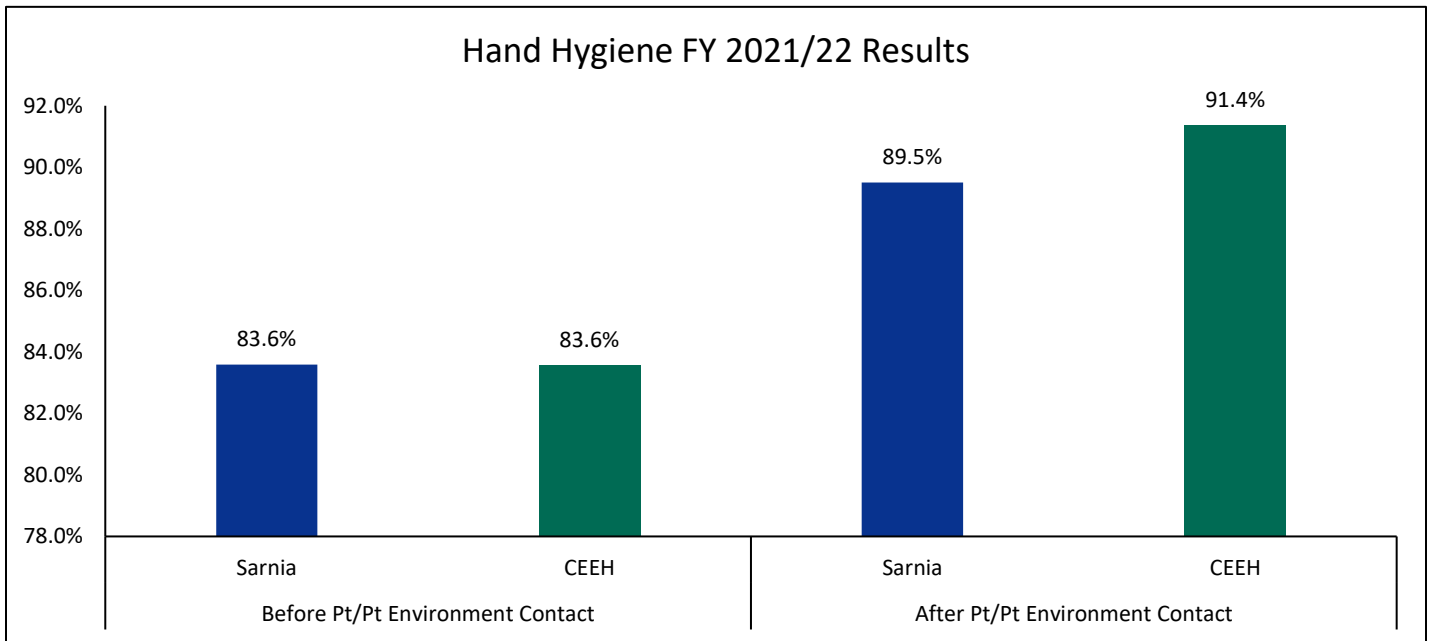
Hand Hygiene

Hand hygiene compliance rates are reported on an annual basis, by site, for the following two indications:

1. Hand hygiene before initial contact with the patient/patient environment for all healthcare providers; and
2. Hand hygiene after contact with the patient/patient environment for all health care providers.

Healthcare providers move from patient-to-patient and room-to-room while providing care and working in the patient environment. This movement provides many opportunities for the transmission of organisms on hands that can cause infections. Proper hand hygiene will protect patients and providers, reduce the spread of infections and the associated treatment costs, reduce hospital lengths of stay and readmissions, reduce wait times, and prevent deaths.

Bluewater Health aims to achieve 90% or better for each indication. Hand hygiene rates before patient/patient environment contact for Sarnia in 21/22 83.6%, and CEEH results from 21/22 were 83.6%. Hand hygiene compliance after patient/patient environment for Sarnia in 21/22 was 89.5% and CEEH results were 91.4% for the same period.



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