

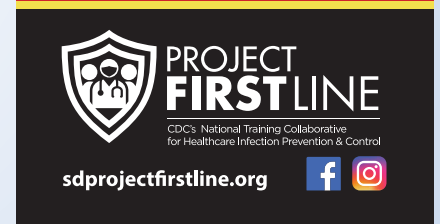
# PROTECTING OUR LOVED ONES AND THEIR CAREGIVERS



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## MANY SOUTH DAKOTANS LIVE IN A LONG-TERM CARE FACILITY

and trust the healthcare workers to become their primary caregivers. The South Dakota Project Firstline (SD PFL) team recognizes the value of that relationship and joins in the effort to ensure residents are safe and protected by providing infection prevention education. As infection control practices evolve, ongoing and updated training is essential to prevent spread and reduce harm.

Dow Rummel Village recognizes the value of infection control education and is taking a proactive approach to offer training to those working within their facilities. By partnering with SD PFL, the healthcare team will have the advantage of first-hand training and resources specialized for their departments and settings.

"We are excited to join Dow Rummel Village in their infection control training education platform," Jess Danko, RRT, LTC-CIC, SD PFL lead shared. "Having a new face share infection control at a facility continues to be a successful education method."

Protecting all from infection control risks is a daily and ongoing task for every healthcare worker.

"At times we get so caught up in the complexity of care, we forget the basics of infection control and how much just those steps help prevent the spread of disease," stated Marie Opheim, infection control preventionist at Dow Rummel Village. "I am hoping to utilize the online courses as well as in-person training with the PFL team to give our staff a different voice to listen to."

The South Dakota Project Firstline team offers many training opportunities, onsite or virtually. Training videos and resources are available on the website [www.sdprojectfirstline.org](http://www.sdprojectfirstline.org), and health care facilities interested in learning more about infection control training options can contact the SD PFL team.



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