

Implementation of hand hygiene in health-care facilities: results from the WHO Hand Hygiene Self-Assessment Framework global survey 2019.

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[Hand hygiene](#) is known to be a critical part of effective infection prevention and control. This study examined the level of hand hygiene implementation using the [WHO Hand Hygiene Self-Assessment Framework global survey](#) and its drivers. There were 3,206 organizations from 90 different countries that responded. Over half of the participants indicated they had intermediate hand hygiene implementation, particularly those with higher county income levels and facility funding. Implementation of alcohol-based [hand rub](#) stations was an important system change associated with improved scores.