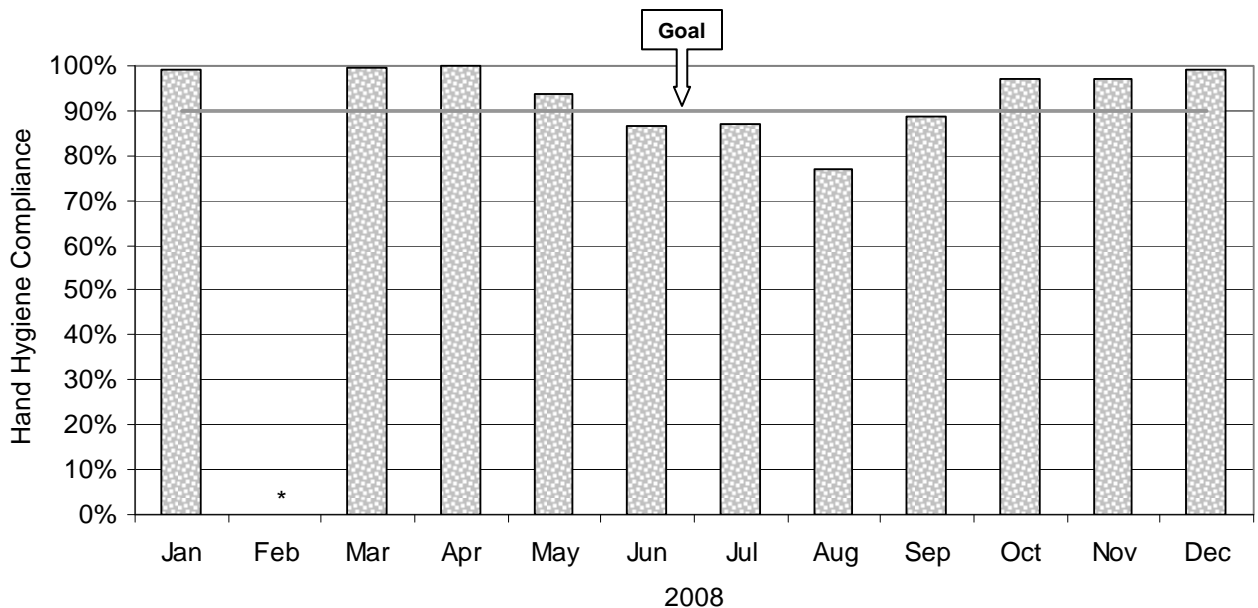


Background: Hand hygiene is the single most effective method for preventing hospital-acquired infections. All clinical staff should practice proper hand hygiene, at minimum, before and after every patient encounter.

Initiative: Implement a hospital-wide hand hygiene campaign to increase compliance, including poster presentations and educational videos

Goal: 90% compliance with hand hygiene

Outcome: The Golisano Children's Hospital consistently achieved greater than 90% compliance with hand hygiene before and after every patient encounter across all units during the 4th Quarter of 2008.



* Insufficient data available for Feb 2008