



## MINUTES

IPAC-Ottawa Region Meeting  
2017-10 - 19

Call to order at 9:00.

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**Minutes** - approved

- **Business Arising**

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- The Chapter President newsletter is available **Action:** Sam will forward it to the membership
- Joanne is the incoming president who will take over from Sam in the New Year.
- The Antibiotic Stewardship Program department lead at PHO, Brad Langford is doing a Twitter chat tonight. If you are interested, send Sam an email and she'll direct you to the right place
- Elections today: In situations where there is more than one candidate, a vote will be taken
  - Webmaster available
  - If more than 1 comes forward
  - Interest Groups (IG) are all covered. There is a new mental health rep – Lea Dullemond from ROH
  - Donna P stepped forward to fill the vacant HCF design and construction – **Action:** Allison Shepherd at CHEO is responsible for upcoming construction; Pat will connect with her to see if she would like to be the rep in this IG
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### ! **New Business**

! **1.1** The IPAC OR Fall Education Evening about C. diff, September 28, 2017 was a success!

- The speakers were fantastic
- There were 54 participants plus IPAC OR organizers to total 63 attendees
- We made \$2345 with a \$1200.70 profit after expenses
- Eventbrite cost of 163.55 was well worth it, as it made registration, money, etc. very smooth!
- Thanks to everyone who participated and was involved in the setup! We are becoming very good at these



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### 4.0

#### 4.1 Partner Updates

##### 4.1.1 PIDAC

- There is a call for new member on the PIDAC community care committee and the Hand Hygiene advisory committee. There is a link on the PHO website for information on how to apply.
- IPAC newsletter went out last week
- The 3<sup>rd</sup> version environmental cleaning will be released soon – Action: Let Catherine know if you aren't on the mailing list. Please note that the Environmental cleaning modules are still relevant
- Sam sits on the PIDAC Hemodialysis working group. They are developing a best practice document for this specialty with representation from across Canada

##### 4.1.2 PHO

- There is now a resource section on preventing IPAC lapses on the PHO website
- A Dental audit checklist has been developed and is awaiting approval by MOHLTC
- IPAC week – There is an updated activity primer on the website and the web has been updated
- **Action:** Register online for the IPAC newsletter or provide email to Catherine if you are interested
- New specialist – Ryan MacDougall transferring her from north unit
- PHO is planning reprocessing workshops in 2018 –more info to come

**5.2 Interest Group Reports (reports are posted on the IPAC Canada Website)** IPAC Canada is reviewing the activity as some groups are more active than others

- Community Health Care Interest Group – *A position statement on cleaning and disinfection was developed 2 years ago by this group but has not been passed by the standards and guidelines committee* **Action:** Catherine will ask Collette if she can raise this issue in the S&G committee
- Dialysis Interest Group – *The Hep B position paper is still in approvals*
- Environmental Hygiene Interest Group – *New executive – Meetings in September & November. Encouraged to bring a guest from EVS to build membership.*
- Healthcare Facility Design and Construction Interest Group
- Long Term Care Interest Group
- Mental Health Interest Group
- Network of Networks Interest Group
- Oncology Interest Group – *The IG sent out a survey to 7 hospitals re IPAC on Inpatient/Outpatient*



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*transplant units and Bone Marrow Transplant units. Action:* Nimo will share the survey with the membership

- Pediatric & Neonatal Interest Group
- Prehospital Care Interest Group – *There was a recent online webinar, which has been saved on the website. Locally, IPAC Core Competencies are a requirement for employment, they are doing HH audits on the trucks and they will be using UV light to disinfect the trucks.*
- Reprocessing Interest Group - *The Foot Care subcommittee continues to work on their position statement. The use of Dremmels and PPE have been obstacles to completion, but the group hopes to have something by December. There appears to be a gap in what the colleges are teaching about IPAC*
- Surveillance and Applied Epidemiology Interest Group
- Cardiac Care Interest Group – *The guest speaker for the September meeting spoke about auditing in the OR and traffic in OR affecting airflow. Action:* Joanne will ask her to do the talk for us. The November meeting will have a talk on wound care.

### **Presentation:**

IPAC Canada Conference presentation – Joanne Janigan

Thanks Joanne!

### Roundtable Discussion:

Resources for IPAC

*CIDRAP*

*Picnet*

*Australia*

*Promed*

*CDC*

*Healthmap.org*

*IPAC Canada*

*APIC/ **SHEA***

Next Meeting:

December 14, 2017