
IPAC Newfoundland and Labrador Education Day Conference - 2024

Thursday, November 21st, 2024 (09:00-3:45)

Agenda

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| 09:00-09:05 | Registration and Land Acknowledgment |
| 09:05-09:15 | <i>Opening Remarks from Vice President and Chief Operating Officer for Eastern Urban Zone - Ron Johnson</i> |
| 09:15-10:00 | <i>Urinary Tract Infection Treatment in the Virtual Emergency Room (VER) - John Bautista</i> |
| 10:00-10:10 | Sponsor: Vernacare |
| 10:10-10:25 | Coffee Break |
| 10:25-10:35 | Sponsor: ActivePure |
| 10:35-11:20 | <i>Carbapenemase Producing Organisms (CPO): Insights from our current knowledge and the gaps that still persist - Nicholas Scholey</i> |
| 11:20-11:30 | Sponsor - Metrex |
| 11:30-12:15 | <i>Creutzfeldt – Jakob Disease and Transmission - Dr. GerardJansen</i> |
| 12:15-12:45 | Lunch |
| 12:30 -1240 | Sponsor: Polyunity |

- 01:00-01:45 *The View from 10,000 Feet and the Floor of the Center
From a Corporate IP in LTC - Donna Spangler*
- 01:45- 01:55 Sponsor: Cepheid
- 01:55- 02:05 Sponsor: Hygienic Echo
- 02:05- 03:35 *Mental Health and the Stress Response - Bailey Reid*
- 03:35-03:40 Closing Remarks
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Registration

Registration Deadline: Wednesday, November 20th, 2024
(No refunds after this date)

Fee: \$25.00 (one day webinar) \$20.00 for students

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2 days before the day of the webinar***

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2024 Webinar Registration Form](#)



Presenters

➤ **Ron Johnson – VP and COO for Eastern Urban Zone**

Ron is the vice president and chief operating officer for Eastern Urban zone. Ron has approximately 30 years of progressive career experience in health care from front-line delivery to executive management. Ron holds a Diploma of Technology from College of the North Atlantic and a Bachelor of Technology and a Master of Employment Relations from Memorial University. He has also completed diplomas in Health Service Management and Modern Management from the Canadian Healthcare Association. Ron is certified in Change Management and has the professional designations of Project Management Professional (PMP), Project Management Institute Agile Certified Practitioner (PMI-ACP) and Certified Health Executive (CHE).

➤ **John Bautista, B.Sc. Chem, B.Sc.Pharm, M.Sc.Pharm**

John Bautista is a graduate of the Memorial University of Newfoundland School of Pharmacy and is currently a Clinical Pharmacist Supervisor for the Central Zone of Newfoundland and Labrador Health Services (NLHS). He has been working as an infectious diseases' pharmacist for 23 years at the James Paton Memorial Regional Health Center in Gander, NL and the Central Newfoundland Regional Health Center in Grand Falls-Windsor. John is involved in antimicrobial stewardship provincially, as a member of the Inpatient Antimicrobial Stewardship Committee of NLHS and nationally as part of the Canadian Nosocomial Infection Surveillance Program (CNISP) Antimicrobial Utilization (AMU) Working Group.

➤ **Nick Scholey MPH CIC**

Nick is an Infection Control Practitioner at Kingston Health Sciences Centre (KHSC), where he has been working in acute care IPAC for over two years. He completed his Bachelor of Science in Life Sciences at Queen's University and later earned a Master of Public Health from the Ontario Veterinary College at the University of Guelph. Since joining KHSC in 2022, Nick has directed his attention towards Carbapenemase-Producing Organisms (CPO), working closely with the IPAC team and other departments to help develop and implement a screening program in 2023. At IPAC NL's Education Day, he looks forward to sharing insights on CPO through case scenarios

and outbreak experiences, as well as reviewing current research and discussing future challenges with CPO in the Canadian healthcare system

➤ **Dr. Gerard Jansen**

Dr. Gerard H. Jansen is a neuropathologist at the Ottawa Hospital and associate professor at the University of Ottawa. He obtained his MD from Utrecht University in the Netherlands in 1987. Following a brief period of research, he pursued residency in Neuropathology and Anatomical Pathology under the guidance of Dr. Berry van Ketel at the Utrecht University Medical Center and Dr. Dirk Troost at the Amsterdam Medical Center. During his residency, Dr. Jansen developed a keen interest in Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease (CJD) and served as the Dutch national CJD reference neuropathologist from 1991 to 2002, and similarly for Belgium from 1993 to 1998. He obtained his licenses in Anatomical Pathology and Neuropathology in 1995 and began practicing neuropathology at the Utrecht University Medical Center the same year.

In 2002, Dr. Jansen moved to Ottawa, where he continued his neuropathology practice at the Ottawa Hospital, and became involved in the Canadian CJD Surveillance, where he held the function of medical advisor and clinical CJD diagnostician between 2002 and 2021. He played a pivotal role in identifying Canada's first case of variant CJD associated with Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy. From 2007 onwards, he served as the national reference neuropathologist for CJD in Canada, accumulating over 33 years of experience in CJD surveillance.

Among his achievements during these 33 years, Dr. Jansen debunked the so-called New Brunswick Neurological Syndrome of Unknown Cause. Through diagnostic neuropathological examinations of deceased patients of the NSUC cluster, he demonstrated that there was no 'new disease', nor a new cause of disease as had been suggested by others, because the patients had passed away from varied rather common neurological disorders.

Dr. Jansen is dedicated to teaching and has instructed numerous groups including colleagues and residents in neuropathology, neurology, forensic pathology, and anatomical pathology on CJD-related topics. He also provides counseling on potential CJD transmission incidents in laboratory settings. Throughout his career, Dr. Jansen has been the driving force in securing pathology diagnostics contracts for CJD, totaling well over \$10 M across various institutes on both sides of the Atlantic. He has been external reviewer of the Australian national CJD surveillance and the European Center for Disease Control. Overall, he has authored or co-authored over 175 publications, presented 86 times at learned societies, and contributed to over 200 abstracts.

Beyond CJD, Dr. Jansen's interests span a broad spectrum within neuropathology. From 2007 to 2012, he served as the division head of anatomical pathology and led the transformation of information technology within the division, including implementation of front-to-back barcoding and pioneering digital pathology.

In his leisure time, Dr. Jansen enjoys globetrotting, and pursuing diverse hobbies such as microprocessor development, home renovation, and photography. His passion for photography, encompassing travel, street, and infrared photography, intersects with his professional interest in providing photographic documentation of his diagnostic work.

Donna Spangler, RN, MPH, CIC, LTC-CIP

Donna is a seasoned Nurse and board-certified Infection Preventionist that has spent 39 years working in Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNF). She is currently serving as the Director of Infection Prevention for Southern Healthcare Management LLC., where she oversees infection prevention efforts in 42 LTC centers in Florida, Georgia, and North Carolina. The most challenging but rewarding positions in her career, in addition to being an Infection Preventionist, have included director of Nursing, and Clinical Regional Director. Infection Prevention in LTC has been a passion throughout her career and she was honored to volunteer for APIC to assist in item writing for both the new LTC-CIP certification examination, and the CIC certification learning systems to prepare candidates for success. Donna has also presented at the 2024 APIC National Conference and addressed regulatory preparedness. She views herself as a strong advocate for resident safety and robust infection prevention programs.

On a personal Level, both of her siblings were insulin dependent diabetics requiring hemodialysis and developed multiple Healthcare Associated Infections (HAI's) while enduring numerous hospitalizations during skilled nursing facility admissions. These more personal battles with HAI's developed into a passion for infection prevention and her personal mantra is "The World Need an Army of Infection Perfectionists".

➤ Bailey Reid, RSW

Bailey Reid is the Mental Health Promotion Consultant for NLHS Eastern Zone Urban & Rural. Bailey is finishing her Master of Social Work at Memorial University during the upcoming winter semester and has experience in various clinical and leadership roles in mental health. Bailey is interested in the neuroscience behind mental health and holistic ways we can support ourselves and others.

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