

## **IPAC CENTRAL EAST ONTARIO**

### **Executive 2015**

President: Leanne Harding RN ETN  
President-elect: Andrea Groff BA, DHMHS CIC  
Secretary: Christina Murphy BScHons MHSc  
Treasurer: Sharon Connell RN CIC

### **Executive 2016**

President: Andrea Groff BA DHMHS CIC  
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**No. of Members:** 39

### **Geographic Area Served**

The Central East region of Ontario includes; Northumberland and Pine Ridge Districts, Peterborough and Campbellford, City of Kawartha Lakes, Durham Region and Haliburton Highlands. Guests who are located outside of our geographic region are welcome to designate their membership to the IPAC CEO Chapter.

### **Membership**

IPAC CEO has a total of 36 members from various health care areas: 53% of the members are from acute care hospitals; 20% from long term care; and 27% from community partners and industry.

### **Meetings**

IPAC Central East Ontario hosts half day meetings on a quarterly basis. There is a business component of our meetings at which a treasurer's report and executive information is shared with the general members. At every meeting there is an education session presented where our members volunteer to present a topic of interest to the group.

### **Highlights**

In an effort to raise the profile of the chapter, and gain new members while being fiscally responsible, IPAC CEO implemented a new initiative this year by holding three of our meetings at various facilities throughout our geographic region using videoconferencing, allowing participants who did not have access to this type of technology to join in by traveling to a hosting facility close to their locations. This also cut down on travel time and time away from their various organizations/facilities.

The fourth meeting was a social event that was held after hours in the evening in a private conference room in a restaurant. One of our IPAC CEO members and a colleague from a local acute care facility gave a presentation on their experience traveling to Saudi Arabia as part of IPAC team.

This past year our membership increased by seven new members.

IPAC CEO has been fortunate to be able to support members to pursue continued learning in the area of Infection Prevention and Control by offering financial support to attend the IPAC Canada National Education Conference. Those that attend the conference are then expected to share the information learned at the conference with other IPAC CEO members at the meeting following the conference.

*Leanne Harding RN ETN*  
*Chapter President*