# **IPAC NORTHERN ALBERTA**

## **2015 EXECUTIVE**

President:	Kathryn Wyndham RN BScN
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## **2016 EXECUTIVE**

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Number of Members: 93

#### Geographic Area Served:

Northern and North-Central Alberta from the NWT border to north of Red Deer

### Meetings

Six education business meeting were held in 2015. Meetings were held on the second Wednesday of selected months excluding July and August. Each meeting included an educational hour then a business meeting except for June where networking between members and the celebration of IPAC NA's 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

### **Education topics and presenters:**

January	Member Round table discussion of ILI management
March	#2 of 3 Antimicrobials – Dr. Uma Chandran
May	Hand Hygiene compliance monitoring - Edmonton Zone HH Team
June	Social and Celebration of IPAC NA 30 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary
September	IPC in Saudi Arabia – Janet Barclay
November	The Great Flood of 2013 - Carolyn Doroshuk - presentation from IPAC Canada

## Highlights

- 1. Our chapter continues to use Microsoft Lync for meetings in order to allow for greater participation of our members as our geographical region does not allow for easy access to in person meetings for our membership.
- 2. Action was taken on the membership survey to decrease the frequency of meetings and to add education specific to the requests from the membership survey. Action items will continue to be worked on with the 2015 Executive.
- 3. IPAC NA hosted an education day in September for all of Alberta (IPAC NA & SA). There were a variety of speakers and topics, and feedback and comments were quite positive, and all of the presentations well received.
- 4. We supported an inner city agency (Hope Mission) with a donation check to enhance their basic IP&C practices. We received a confirmation of appreciation and how the monies were spent.
- 5. We finally completed our revision of the Terms of Reference and achieved quorum on the vote by using proxy and the ability to have members call in with ease to the meeting.

6. We thank the outgoing executive and the Education Day planning committee for their great work, and thank those who remain in executive positions. We look forward to the changes and growth with our new executive and new membership.



Kathryn Wyndham RN BScN Chapter President

IPAC NA celebrates its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary