CALL FOR APPLICATIONS
2012 SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Background
The CHICA-Canada 2012 Scientific Program Committee is a national committee whose mandate is to plan, develop and ensure completion of the scientific program for the 2012 National Education Conference. The 2012 National Education Conference will take place in Saskatoon (June 16-21, 2012).

The 2012 committee is comprised of the following representatives of various practice settings:

2012 Conference Chair – Anne Bialachowski RN BN MSc CIC
2012 Scientific Program Chair – Molly Blake BN GCN(C) MHS CIC
2012 Scientific Program Co-Chair – Vacant
2011/2012 Acute Care Representative – Colette Ouellet RN BScN CIC
2011/2012 Long Term Care Representative – Marilyn Weinmaster RN BScN CIC
2012/2013 Community/Public Health Representative – Vacant
2012/2013 Medical Microbiology/Infectious Disease Physician – Vacant

Call for Applications
CHICA-Canada is seeking three candidates to fill the positions of:

- Scientific Program Co-Chair (will become Scientific Program Chair for 2013 conference)
- Community/Public Health Representative (for 2012 and 2013 conferences)
- Medical Microbiology/Infectious Disease Physician Representative (for 2012 and 2013 conferences)

Meeting Schedule and Expenses
The Scientific Program Committee meets twice in-person (for each conference) and then communicates through email or conference calls. The first meeting of the 2012 Scientific Program Committee is scheduled for November of 2010 (location TBA). The first meeting of the 2013 Scientific Program Committee will be scheduled for the fall of 2011 (location TBA).

CHICA-Canada pays the expenses of committee members to attend in-person meetings. CHICA-Canada pays the expenses of committee members to attend the conferences they have planned.

Qualifications
Applicants must possess the following qualifications and agree to the following terms:

- A current (2010) member of CHICA-Canada, having held membership for at least 5 years.
- Must have a Certification in Infection Control & Epidemiology (CIC) or specialty training in epidemiology, infectious diseases or community medicine.
• A minimum of 5 years experience in Infection Prevention and Control and/or Infectious Diseases with specific expertise in the setting for which a representative is sought
• Good team participation as well as interpersonal and communication skills
• Professional involvement with CHICA-Canada, for example in a Board or Chapter Executive role, as Chair of an Interest Group, or on a CHICA-Canada Committee.
• Experience in the planning of scientific programs for professional conferences (local, regional or national) would be an asset but is not mandatory.
• Has the time, personal commitment and support of their institution to serve CHICA-Canada through this position.

APPLICATION MUST INCLUDE:
• A letter from applicant indicating the position of interest, and demonstrating suitability for the position.
• A curriculum vitae that includes details as to the candidate’s background in Infection Prevention and Control/Infectious Diseases
• Professional expertise and education, specialty training and expertise, and CHICA-Canada involvement such as service as a CHICA-Canada Board Member, as a Chapter Executive, or on a CHICA-Canada Standing Committee, Interest Group or Conference Planning Committee.

Applications must be received no later than April 30, 2010.

Applications should be forwarded to:

Executive Director/Conference Planner
CHICA-Canada
PO Box 46125 RPO Westdale
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By courier to:
By fax: 1-204-895-9595
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