Background
The IPAC Canada 2018 Scientific Program Committee is a national committee whose mandate is to plan, develop and ensure completion of the scientific/educational program for the 2018 National Education Conference. The 2018 National Education Conference will take place Banff, Alberta (May 27-30, 2018).

The 2018 committee is comprised of the following representatives of various practice settings:

**2018 Scientific Program Chair** – Gwyneth Meyers, Alberta

**2018 Scientific Program Co-Chair** – Vacant

**2018 Acute Care Representative** – Zahir Hirji, Ontario

**2018-2018 Long Term Care Representative** – Lola Gushue, Newfoundland Labrador

**2018 Community/Public Health Representative** – Vacant

**2018 Medical Microbiology/Infectious Disease Physician** – Vacant

**IPAC Southern Alberta Representative** – To be announced

**2018 Member-at-large** – To be appointed by IPAC PANA

**2018 Industry Representative** – To be announced

**IPAC Canada Executive Director**

Call for Applications
IPAC Canada is seeking candidates to fill the positions of:

- 2018 Scientific Program Co-Chair (will be Scientific Chair in 2019)
- 2018-2019 Community/Public Health Representative
- 2018 Medical Microbiology/Infectious Disease Physician Representative

Meeting Schedule and Expenses
The Scientific Program Committee meets once in-person (for each conference) and then communicates through email or conference calls. The first meeting of the 2018 Scientific Program Committee is scheduled for November 2016 (Location, Date TBA).

IPAC Canada pays the expenses of committee members to attend in-person meetings.
IPAC 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 (2016-2017) member of IPAC Canada, having held membership for at least 5 years.
- Must maintain membership in good standing while on this committee.
- Certification in Infection Control & Epidemiology (CIC) is preferred, 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.
- Current or past professional involvement with IPAC Canada, for example in a Board or Chapter Executive role, as Chair of an Interest Group, or on an IPAC 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 IPAC Canada through this position.
• Previous members of a Scientific Program Committee may not reapply until three years have passed after their term ended.

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 IPAC Canada involvement.

Applications must be received no later than **March 31, 2016**

Applications should be forwarded by email to executivedirector@ipac-canada.org with the Subject line: *Application for 2018 Scientific Program Committee*

For more information:

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