



IPAC British Columbia (IPAC-BC)

IPAC Canada
CIC Chapter Achievement Award
Submission

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IPAC BC

- A chapter of IPAC Canada since 1987
- 199 members from across the province of BC including:
 - Six health authorities & Providence Health Care
 - The Good Samaritan & Yaletown House Society
 - The College of Physicians and Surgeons of BC
 - Representation from Whitehorse, YK
 - Industry representation
- 130 members eligible for CIC certification
- ★ 12 newly certified members in 2015
- ★ 1 recertified member in 2015

IPAC BC CIC Support Group

- Founded in 2014
- Seven IPAC BC members with representation from across the province
- Our Objectives:
 - To provide assistance and support to chapter members to access up to date information on the CIC exam
 - To provide a variety of resources and education material to be used for local support groups



CIC Support: What do we do?

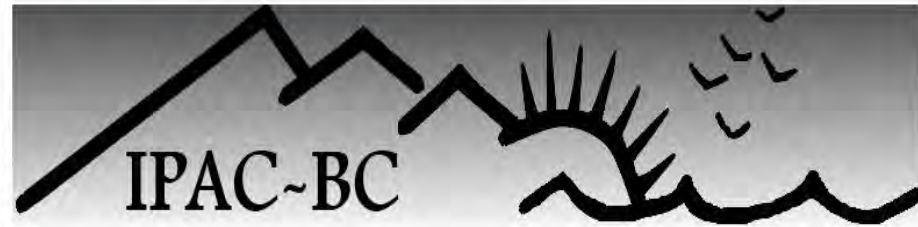
- Meet by teleconference to discuss support strategies
- Offer mentorship to members preparing for initial certification
- Facilitate access to resources
- Connect members preparing for the exam
- CIC prep sessions by webinar and teleconference
- Promote CIC certification



Mentorship

- CIC Support Group member contact information posted to IPAC BC webpage
- IPAC BC members preparing for their exam are encouraged to reach out for support as needed

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CIC Information

IPAC-BC supports its members in becoming CIC certified.

We would like to offer you support by providing contact details for IPAC-BC members, who are willing to support you in becoming certified. There are members in most areas, and if you would like to become CIC certified, or become a support contact, please feel free to contact members.

CIC resource materials may be found in our [Members area](#).

 **IPAC-BC Members Available for CIC Support**

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Access to Resources

- Compile up to date resources and post to the IPAC BC webpage
- New resources added to the library are highlighted and discussed at IPAC BC meetings



CIC Resources (CIC Support Group)

- [CIC Candidate Handbook](#)
- [PowerPoint from the IPAC CIC working group](#)
- [A sample schedule from APIC CIC Chat](#)
- [Information and links from IPAC CIC working group](#)
- [NHSN definitions](#)
- Power points from CIC website: -->[Short version](#) -->[Long version](#)
- [Handy Notes to the Study Guide Chapter](#)
 - [Chapter 3: Identification of Infectious Disease Processes](#)
 - [Chapter 4: Surveillance and Epidemiologic Investigation](#)
 - [Chapter 5: Preventing/Controlling The Transmission of Infectious Agents](#)
 - [Chapter 6: Employee/Occupational Health](#)
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 - [Chapter 8: Education & Research](#)
- [IPAC BC CIC Prep Webinars](#)
 - [Identification of Infectious Diseases Processes](#)
 - [Preventing/Controlling The Transmission of Infectious Agents](#)
 - [Employee Occupational Health](#)
 - [Surveillance](#) **New**
 - [Environment of Care](#) **New**
 - [Management and Communication](#) **New**

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CIC Prep Sessions

- In 2015 we hosted 5 CIC prep sessions by webinar/teleconference
- Sessions focus on identifying themes, study tips and going through practice questions together as a group
- We aim to:
 - Introduce content
 - Stimulate discussion
 - Connect members who are preparing for the exam across a geographically diverse region
- Slide decks that cover one exam module are prepared for each session and posted to our webpage





In November 2015 we surveyed the IPAC BC membership about the CIC

- We learned we were on the right track with how to support members to prepare
- We also identified important barriers to becoming certified in BC including access to test centers, cost, and employer support



As we move into 2016, we are advocating for the challenges our members have identified by:

- Discussing at IPAC BC meetings
- Engaging our chapter executive to examine scholarship opportunities
- Encouraging our members to use the marketing toolkit developed by CBIC and provide feedback to the chapter

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Thank-you for your consideration and
congratulations to all of our 2015 CIC's!

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