An Important Survey is Winging Its Way to You.

Six years have passed since the Resources for Infection Control in Hospitals (RICH) survey was conducted. The purpose of the current project is to replicate RICH and to survey acute hospitals in Canada for their high level views on the status of infection control programs. This study will examine whether infection control resources and programming in acute care hospitals have improved as a result of the focus directed towards infection control programs by SARS and antibiotic resistant pathogens. All acute care hospitals in Canada with $\geq$ 80 acute care beds will be surveyed regarding the state of infection control in their facility. The survey is to be completed by the staff member most responsible for the infection control program. The project is funded by the Public Health Agency of Canada.

If your hospital is eligible for the study and you are the staff member most responsible for the infection control program, and you would like to get a quick start on completing the survey, cover letters and surveys in English and French may be downloaded from the CHICA-Canada Website. Please return completed surveys by the means of your choice: mail, email, or fax.

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