IPAC PEEL AND NEIGHBOURING AREAS

SUBMISSION FOR 3M CHAPTER ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Highlighting 2016 Chapter Achievements
WHO WE ARE

- Established in 2009
- Our geographical area covers Peel Region
- The Region of Peel is an area of 1.2 million people, bordered by Dufferin and Simcoe counties to the North, Toronto and York Region to the East, Halton Region and Wellington County to the West and Lake Ontario to the South
- Our members represent hospitals, public health, nursing homes, pre-hospital group (fire, police, EMS), community care and industry.
- In 2016 we had 34 members
OUR PURPOSE

To reduce the risk of infection across the care continuum (including, but not limited to, health care facilities, community health services and pre-hospital emergency services) through knowledge exchange, sharing experiences, ideas and information for the prevention and control of infections, and the collaboration and networking among persons interested in infection prevention and control (IPAC).
OUR OBJECTIVES

- To promote and maintain a forum for practitioners in infection prevention and control and other allied professionals across the continuum of care, share knowledge and expertise to network, problem solving and share ideas.
- To participate and spearhead in multidisciplinary educational conferences, seminars and workshops to disseminate information among members, thus promoting professional excellence through continuing education.
- To enhance the practice of infection prevention and control by encouraging certification among members.
OUR OBJECTIVES (CONTINUED)

- To provide information and resources for members to assist in the development of infection control programs.
- To promote and support research activities and publication of professional articles.
- To promote IPAC-PCI Canada as the national body of experts in infection prevention and control.
- To promote IPAC PANA as the local expert body in infection prevention and control.
- To heighten community awareness through education on infections, their mode of transmission, prevention and control and the implications on the health of the community.
2016 CHAPTER EXECUTIVE

- President: Anne Augustin
- President Elect: Debbie Valickis
- Secretary: Meghan Davies
- Treasurer: Donna Moore
- Web Master: Meghan Davies
2016 CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP
PARTICIPATION IN IPAC CANADA
COMMITTEES & INTEREST GROUPS

- Debbie Valickis
  - Community; long-term care; environmental hygiene
- Anne Augustin
  - Standards & Guidelines Committee
  - Pediatric/neonate; health care design; reprocessing
- Donna Moore
  - Co-chair of Reprocessing; health care design
- Melissa Zambrabo
  - Co-chair of the Reprocessing Interest Group
- Michelle Vadori-Cina:
  - Long term care
Education Committee:

Members part of this committee planned and facilitated:

- Education for our 5 chapter meetings,
- Education and event planning for our inaugural summer social and evening IPAC celebration event!
Our chapter met six times in 2016!

During these meetings we:

- Brought together members to participate in a forum where ideas, challenges, experiences and expertise in various Infection Prevention and Control topics were shared and discussed,
- Provided education to membership

Education sessions included:

- January: Shirley McDonald: “Twinning” with IPAC colleagues in Cameroon, West Africa
- March: Barley Chironda: Social Media and IPAC
- May: Members Shared Take Aways from the IPAC – Canada Conference
- July: Rhonda Pollard: Facilitating Change!
- September: Barb Shea: IPAC and Construction
- December: Michael Tsang: Hand Hygiene Auditing (Handy Metrics)
Our members were busy in 2016!

Many of our members:

- shared experiences at conferences through posters and oral presentations
- provided education at local large IPAC events and IPAC courses
- completed their CIC or SARES!
Oral Presentations:

- Debbie Valickis: “Pilot and Formative Evaluation of a New UTI Program for Long-Term Care Homes” Sam MacFarlane, Debbie Valickis, Andrea Chambers, Susan Cooper, Anne Augustin, Liz McCreight, Rosemary Zvonar, Gerald Evans, Laura Fraser, Julia Moore, Helen Bedkowski, Gary Garber

- Rajni Pantelidis: Presented at the Dialysis pre-conference day “Improving Infection Control Practices in the Hemodialysis Unit at William Osler Health System: A Post Hepatitis B Lookback”

- Melissa Zambrano - “Results of an Epidemiological Investigation into a Cluster of Surgical Site Infections Following Cranial Neurosurgeries” Samar Tahhan, Mariam Mir, Melissa Zambrano, Lizette Carreon, Mihaly Kis, Marianita Lampitoc, Lorne Small
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- Posters:
  - Anne Augustin: “Implementation Science at Work: Building an Evidence-informed Theory-driven Program (ETP) to Address Urinary Tract Infections (UTI) and Antibiotic Related Harms in Long-Term Care Homes (LTCH)” Augustin A., Cooper S., Chambers A., Evans G., Fraser L., MacFarlane S., Valickis D., Zvonar R., McCreight L., Bedkowski H., Garber G
  - Donna Moore: “Reprocessing in the Community: The Evolution of a Knowledge Product” Mandy Deeves, Donna Moore, Risa Cashmore, Liz McCreight, Esther Chan
  - Nadine Sitaram and Michelle Vadori-Cina: A Public Health Investigation of Infection Prevention and Control (IPAC) Practices in an Endoscopy Clinic” Lindsay Gembicki, Michelle Vadori, Justin Moriarty, Nancy Lotecki, Monali Varia

- Supporting the Conference
  - Anne Augustin was the Moderator for the RIDING THE BARREL – SURVEILLANCE session
IPAC PANA MEMBERS AT THE
IPAC CANADA CONFERENCE
IPAC PANA MEMBERS’ PRESENTATIONS

- IPAC GTA (FEBRUARY 2016):
  - Nadine Sitaram and Michelle Vadori-Cina – C. difficile in LTC
- Ontario Association of Non-Profit Homes & Services for Seniors Convention (April 2016):
  - Nadine Sitaram and Michelle Vadori-Cina – Collaborative Management of C. difficile Outbreaks
- IPAC-IT Spring Education Day (April 2016):
  - Nadine Sitaram: C. difficile
- APIC Conference (June 2016):
  - Jackie Nugent: “Age of the Unicorns”
IPAC PANA MEMBERS’ PROVIDING EDUCATION

Anne Augustin:
- IPAC Canada Online Novice IPAC Course
  - Discussion Board Facilitator for 2 modules
- Centennial College Infection Control Course - in classroom and online
  - Faculty member
COLLABORATION WITH LOCAL PARTNERS

- IPAC PANA collaborated with Peel Public Health twice in 2016 to plan, organize and provide education at IPAC Information Transfer education days.

- In total, over 140 healthcare professionals in long term care, retirement homes and neighbouring public health units attended these educational offerings.
  - April 2016: What’s the Diff?
  - September 2016: Infection Prevention in Action.
What's the "Diff"?

IPAC IT: Infection Prevention and Control Information Transfer

Where: Thursday, April 21, 2016, 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. (Lunch Provided)
Where: Versailles Convention Centre
6721 Edwards Blvd, Mississauga, ON L5T 2V9 (map)
Cost: $25

Agenda:
8:30 a.m. - Registration and Networking
9 a.m. - Welcome Opening Remarks
- C. diff ile: A Long-Term Care Story - Nadine Sitaram, Resource Nurse, Malton Village
- C. difficile Group Exercise - Peel Public Health
Managing Microbes for Health - Dr. Imme Allan-Werco, Associate Professor, University of Guelph
12 p.m. - Lunch
1 p.m. - Investigation of C. difficile Outbreaks: How Molecular Epidemiology Can Help Us - Dr. Michael Silverman, Chair, Division of Infectious Diseases, Western University; Medical Director, HIV Clinic, St. Joseph's Hospital, London
- Peel Public Health, Public Health Ontario, and IPAC-PANA Updates
3:30 p.m. - Closing Remarks and Adjournment

Who should attend:
All individuals involved in Infection Prevention and Control in Long-Term Care or Retirement Home Settings

Please register at [Eventbrite](#) by April 14, 2016. Space is limited.
For questions, please contact 716-PeareSurveillance@peelregion.ca

April 2016: What’s the Diff?
IPAC PANA MEMBERS’ ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- **CIC:**
  - Jackie Nugent

- **SARE:**
  - Donna Moore
  - Anne Augustin
  - Janine Domingos
IPAC PANA’s Inaugural Summer Social

- Our chapter’s first summer social event!
- Members and non-members shared lunch, received education and were presented with awards
IPAC PANA’S CELEBRATION OF IPAC

Over 40 IPAC professionals attended this evening celebration.

Representation came from across the health care continuum and from those who are very new to IPAC and those who have retired.
Our chapter celebrated IPAC in November 2016 by inviting members and past members for dinner and education from Dr. Allison McGeer!
IPAC PANA 2016!!