IPAC GTA

3M CHAPTER ACHIEVEMENT AWARD SUBMISSION

YEAR 2022

Prepared by Melisa Avaness – Past president

IPAC GTA REGION

Established in 1980, IPAC GTA is the first chapter of IPAC Canada (originally named as TPIC). It primarily serves the Greater Toronto Area, including the city of Toronto and surrounding areas bordered by Mississauga, Barrie, Orillia and Oshawa. Some of our membership extends beyond these areas.



OUR MEMBERS

IPAC GTA is the largest chapter in Ontario with an average membership of 300. Our members represent diverse educational backgrounds and workplaces, including:

- Acute care
- Long Term Care
- Complex Continuing/Rehabilitation Care
- Mental Health
- Provincial Government

- Public Health
- Correctional Services
- Dental health care
- Correctional Services
- Community Organizations
- Private Industry

IPAC GTA EXECUTIVES 2022



President: Melissa Avaness BSc, BASc, CIC

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Webmaster: Stefanie Siaw BSc, CIC

Education Committee Chair: Kishori Naik BSc, CIC

IPAC GTA EXECUTIVE TEAM 2022



PURPOSE, MISSION AND VISION



Purpose: To reduce the risk of infection across the care continuum by promoting excellence in the principles and practice of infection prevention and control in health care settings and in the community through education, communication, networking, research and public awareness. As a chapter we endorse the mission, vision and values of IPAC-Canada.

Mission: IPAC-GTA is a regional, multidisciplinary association committed to the wellness and safety of Canadians by promoting best practice in infection prevention and control through education, standards, advocacy and consumer awareness.

Vision: IPAC-GTA will be a regional leader and the recognized resource for the promotion of best practice in infection prevention and control.

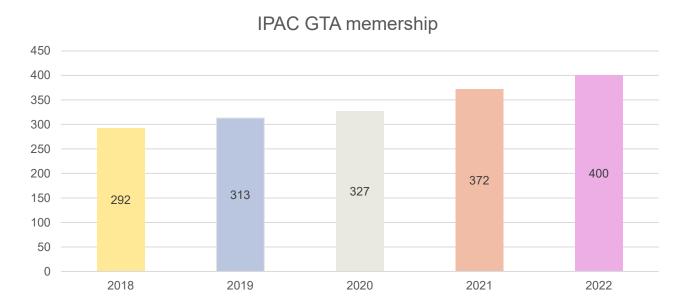
IPAC GTA OBJECTIVES



- Promote and increase membership engagement
- Membership engagement
 - Engage members from broader sectors (e.g. Environmental services partners, dental setting, etc.)
- Knowledge transfer: provide educational resource/content through IPAC CHATs, Education day, Journal club, etc.
- Increase social media presence
- Provide CIC study group for membership and beyond-
 - Prepare and inspire members for CIC certification/recertification
- Organize social events if permitted

IPAC GTA- MEMBERSHIP

Membership over last five years



 IPAC GTA membership has increased steadily over the past five years.

GOALS/OBJECTIVES OF 2022

- Promote and increase membership participation
- Membership engagement
 - Engage members from broader sectors (e.g. Environmental services partners, dental setting, etc.)
- Provide educational resource/content through IPAC CHATs, Education day, Journal club, etc.
- Increase social media presence
- Organize in-person Chapter meetings as permitted by public health guidelines
- Continue CIC study group
- Social events
- Review policies

IPAC CANADA

Mission

IPAC Canada is a multidisciplinary member based association committed to public wellness and safety by advocating for best practices in infection prevention and control in all settings.

Vision

IPAC Canada – a national and international infection prevention and control leader.

Values Statements

Integrity

Principled, ethical and respectful in all our activities.

Collaboration

• Open and inclusive in dealing with our partners and stakeholders.

Advocacy

Advancement of evidence informed practices to protect our consumers.

Innovation

Creative and responsive in meeting the membership's needs.

Leadership

• Effective and accountable in proactively pursuing our mission.

IPAC GTA MEETINGS

- □ IPAC GTA maintained engagement, provided educationally content and facilitated knowledge sharing Virtually by IPAC CHATs via ZOOM platform
 - Hosted 4 CHATs
 - About 172 participants in total
- May 12, 2022. "Environment and Infection in Burns "Speaker:
 Melisa Avaness (Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre)
- June 30, 2022. "Fixing LTC Through New LTC IPAC Standards –
 A Primer". Speaker: Madeleine Ashcroft (Trillium Health Partners)
- Sep 29, 2022. "Microbiome-based interventions to decrease gastrointestinal carriage of pathogens and antimicrobial resistant organisms. Speaker: Ashley Rooney
- Dec 8, 2022. "The fascinating role of IPAC beyond acute care and long-term care settings" Speaker Janessa McGuire (Practice Health Check) & Dan Cuthbert (Film & TV industry)

IPAC GTA EDUCATION FUNDING

IPAC GTA provided Financial support to the membership in 2020-2021

2 members were funded for Conference attendance



KNOWLEDGE IS CONTAGIOUS

5 Health Care facilities were awarded IPAC Week funding support to support their IPAC week activities

11 members each awarded \$75 for certifying first time in CIC



IPAC GTA BBQ

- First Chapter BBQ since pandemic was held on June 23, 2022.
- There were about 45 attendees







IPAC GTA EDUCATION DAY- IN PERSON rand Ab

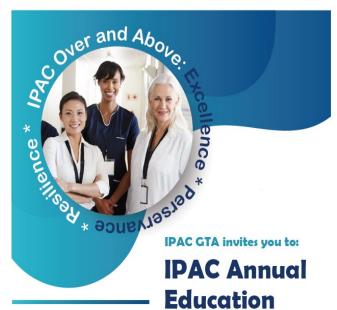
- In-person Education was held on Sep 13, 2022.
- There were more than 200 attendees



"IPAC Over and Above:
Perseverance. Resilience. Excellence."
27th Annual IPAC Education Day
September 13th, 2022
Paradise Banquet Hall, Vaughan

Agenda

TIME	TOPIC	Presenter	
7:00	Registration, Breakfast, Networking, and Exhibits		
8:30	Opening Remarks and IPAC-GTA updates	Melisa Avaness President IPAC GTA	
8:45	"Thriving in Times of Change"	Meg Soper -Key Note Speaker	
9:45	"Re-defining IPAC post-pandemic"	Dr. <u>Jeya Nadarajah</u>	
10:45	Coffee break and Exhibits		
11:15	CPO Are we managing CPE appropriately across healthcare spectrum in Ontario?	Erica Susky Tiberius Stanescu Murtuza Diwan	
12:15	Networking Lunch and Exhibits		
1:15	COVID-19 vaccines: Past, present, and future	Dr. Kevin Stinson	
2:15	"IPAC Hubs: Building LTC Capacity through Pandemic and Beyond"	Madeleine Ashcroft	
2:45	"IPAC Considerations in Home and Community Care"	Michael Rotstein	
3:15	Winner Announcements and Closing remarks		



September 13, 2022 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Paradise Banquet Hall 7601 Jane St., Vaughan ON, L4K 1X2

Register Now https://bit.ly/3014yCW

Day









IPAC GTA EDUCATION DAY - IN PERSON



CIC STUDY GROUP

- IPAC GTA provided CIC study group sessions to the membership (see table below)
- There were 75 registrants
- The sessions were facilitated by 6 Certified IPAC GTA members via ZOOM platform

Session	Date	Time-EST	Topics	Online Facilitator
1	29 Mar	4 pm to 5:30 pm	CIC Exam- Strategies and resources (half)	Sandra Callery/Rohit Garg
1	29 Mar	4 pm to 5:30 pm	Employee and Occupation Health (half)	Stefanie Siauw
2	1 Apr	4 pm to 5:30 pm	Surveillance and Epidemiological Investigations (full)	Melisa Avaness
3	5 Apr	4 pm to 5:30 pm	Surveillance and Epidemiological Investigations (full)	Melisa Avaness
4	8 Apr	4 pm to 5:30 pm	Identification of Infectious Diseases (full)	Erica Susky
5	12 Apr	4 pm to 5:30 pm	Preventing/Controlling the transmission of infectious Agents (full)	Stefanie Siauw
6	19 Apr	4 pm to 5:30 pm	Management and Communication (half)	Rohit Garg
6	19 Apr	4 pm to 5:30 pm	Education and Research (half)	Rohit Garg
7	22 Apr	4 pm to 5:30 pm	Environment of Care (half)	Dechen Dolma
7	22 Apr	4 pm to 5:30 pm	Cleaning, Sterilization, Disinfection, Asepsis (half)	Komelija Delibasic

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION

As the pandemic has evolved, IPAC GTA has remained committed to connecting with members virtually and incorporating in-person events keeping safety as priority, while balancing membership engagement and knowledge transfer.

We will continue to engage with the membership in multiple modalities across continuum of care.