

PICNet August Newsletter

Debugging Healthcare Together!

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Infection Control Week and Patient Safety Week

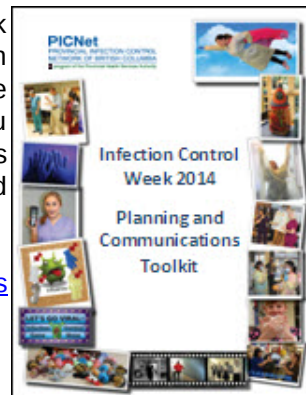
Infection Control Week takes place October 20-26 this year, and **Canadian Patient Safety Week** follows (October 27-31), with the theme of... infection control! With two weeks of infection control education and activities to plan for, PICNet has created a new toolkit to help you (see below).

The Canadian Patient Safety Institute (CPSI) and Infection Prevention and Control (IPAC)-Canada will be working together this year by issuing joint announcements and by cross-promoting the events. You can access the planning tools from each organization at [IPAC-Canada](#) and [CPSI](#).

IC Week Planning and Communications Toolkit

To help you plan your Infection Control Week activities and announcements, PICNet has created an [IC Week Toolkit](#). The toolkit includes a time/resource planning template, a detailed list of 18+ activities you can choose from, and communications tools such as sample news articles, Facebook/blog posts, and tweets.

You can download the document directly from [this link](#) or via PICNet's [IC Week web page](#).



Let's Go Viral! - new edition

Based on feedback from users, PICNet has made some changes to the Let's Go Viral! workshop in-a-box, and now has a 2014 edition available for download or purchase.

If you haven't already used our workshop kit, you can find details about it at picnet.ca/letsgoviral.

(If you already own the 2013 version and would like to find out what's new in the 2014 version, we have a page that [details the changes](#).)



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Upcoming Conferences

September 14-16:
CAEM Annual
Conference: Reaching
for the Top,
Collingwood, ON

September 26: IPAC
SASKPIC's Fall
Conference, Regina,
SK

October 5-8 -
Canadian Institute of
Public Health
Inspectors (CIPHI),
Ontario Branch

CPO Surveillance Protocol

The carbapenemase producing organism (CPO) surveillance protocol and related forms are now posted on the PICNet website; you can download them from the [CPO Surveillance page](#).

IPAC-BC Education Day

IPAC-BC is hosting an education day on November 7th in Coquitlam, BC. You can view the program and download the registration form from [this page](#).



PICNet Website Changes

The PICNet website is undergoing some reorganization over the next few months. We have moved our [Resources](#) to a new section, and we have more changes coming to make things easier to find. In the meantime, if you have any difficulties finding anything you're looking for on the website, please [email us](#).

Webber Training

Please note: **the Webber schedule is subject to change, so be sure to check the PICNet website** for upcoming classes. To receive our monthly teleclass updates, make sure you're subscribed to our Webber emails (by clicking *Update Profile/Email Address* at the bottom of this email).



Upcoming Teleclasses

Infection prevention and control - the Argentina experience

August 14th, 2014 10:30 am PST

Speaker: Carolina Giuffr, Buenos Aires British Hospital, Argentina

Antimicrobial-impregnated surfaces in preventing healthcare-acquired infections: differentiating the hype from the hope

September 4th, 2014 10:30 am PST

Speaker: Prof. Hilary Humphreys, Beaumont Hospital, Ireland

You can view the full Webber schedule on the [PICNet website](#).

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Conference, Toronto

October 16-19 -
Canadian Association
of Medical Device
Reprocessing
(CAMDR) Inaugural
Conference, Winnipeg

October 22 - IPAC-
Southern Alberta
chapter bi-annual
education
conference: "All
Hands on Deck",
Calgary

November 24-26 -
Journées annuelles
de santé publique
(JASP) 2014,
Montréal

December 2-4 -
Canadian
Immunization
Conference 2014,
Ottawa