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Debugging Healthcare Together!

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Clean Shots hand hygiene photo contest



Congratulations to the Clean Shots winners, and thanks to everyone who made the contest such a success. If you haven't already checked out all the great photos, you can view the full set or the 100 finalists. (If you're using an older browser and have problems viewing the photos, you can also view them on Flickr). We'll be sending out a survey soon to find out what you thought of the contest and whether you'd like it to run again next year.

Home and Community Care Guidelines

The revised <u>Home and Community Care Guidelines</u> have been posted on the PICNet website.

Thank you to all those who contributed, including our Guidelines Steering Committee and reviewers.



PICNet Calendar Survey

We'd like you to answer <u>two questions</u> to help us plan next year's infection control calendar. Please share your thoughts!

Also, downloadable <u>PDF posters</u> of the latest PICNet Infection Control Calendar are now available on the PICNet website.



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Carbapenamase Producing Organisms (CPO)

The emergence of carbapenemase producing organisms (CPOs) is an infectious disease concern, and PICNet has been working with a provincial group to develop a toolkit for the management of CPO. The toolkit will include:

- recommendations on screening and infection prevention and control practices
- a provincial CPO surveillance protocol
- a CPO outbreak definition, and administrative outbreak requirements

PICNet submitted all of the products of the working group to the Ministry of Health in April. A policy communiqué will be issued by the Ministry requiring that the recommendations of the CPO Working Group be implemented by the Health Authorities. As soon as the communiqué is issued, PICNet will make the toolkit available on our website.

Data submission for CPO surveillance is expected to begin in September 2014.

In the meantime, we have added <u>information on CPOs</u> to our website, including a link to a <u>very informative presentation</u> by Linda Hoang of BCCDC.

PICNet 2015 Conference - save the date!



PICNet's 2015 Educational Conference is booked for **March 5- 6** at the Hilton Airport Hotel in Richmond, BC. Be sure to save the date!

Federal Anti-Spam Legislation

You may have heard about the new anti-spam legislation that comes into effect on July 1, 2014. As PICNet's emails are not commercial, the legislation will not impact these. However, you can still change what emails you'd like to receive from us by clicking the *Update Profile/Email Address* link at the bottom of this email.

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

Chemotherapy: health, safety, and waste management issues

July 10th, 2014, 10:30 am PST

Speaker: Ed Krisiunas, WNWN International, Connecticut

Using Social Marketing to Improve Healthcare Quality

July 17th, 2014, 10:30 am PST

Speaker: Jason Tetro, MI-SCI Consulting and Communications

Hand hygiene technologies 2005-2014: are these interventions the missing

link in hand hygiene compliance?

July 24th, 2014, 10:30 am PST

Speaker: Dr.Maryanne McGuckin and Mr. John Govennik, McGuckin Methods

International, USA

You can view the full Webber schedule on the PICNet website.

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