

PICNet November Newsletter

Debugging Healthcare Together!

Upcoming registration/application dates:

Quick-Reference Lanyard Cards order - Nov 20, 2013
PICNet Conference Early Bird discount - Dec 31, 2013
Education Resource Fund applications - Jan 13, 2014

Lanyard Cards - Ready to Order!

PICNet's **Infection Control Quick-Reference Cards** are now ready to order! Based on your input, there are two different cards:
Card A - Risk Assessment and Routine Practices
Card B - Routine Practices and Additional Precautions

The cards cost 90 cents each + postage; you can view the cards and download the order form via the [PICNet website](#). The deadline for our 2013 print run is **November 14, 2013**.

PICNet 2014 Conference - Registration open

The preliminary program for the PICNet 2014 conference (March 3-4, 2014) is now posted, and registration is open! You can view the details and download the registration form from the [PICNet conference web page](#). The **Early Bird discount is available until December 31, 2013**. PICNet's conferences have sold out in past years, so be sure to register early!

Education Resource Fund

PICNet has posted its guidelines and application form for next year's **Education Resource Fund**. The deadline for applications is January 13, 2013; you can read more about the ERF [here](#).



Infection Control Week Contest Winners

We had no idea that judging a video contest would be so difficult... because ALL the entries were great! Congratulations to the **JOSH team of Heritage Village RCAL** in Chilliwack, who won the contest! You can view [all the great videos](#) and draw inspiration from their creativity. Thanks to everyone who participated in Infection Control Week!



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Upcoming Events

Nov 18-24, 2013
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CDI and MRSA Annual Reports

The annual CDI and MRSA surveillance reports for the fiscal year 2012-2013, and the Q1 Hand Cleaning Compliance report, have been posted on the [PICNet website](#). The latest quarterly reports for CDI and MRSA will be posted on Nov 4.



Antibiotic Awareness Week

[Antibiotic Awareness Week](#) (Nov 18-24). [Antibiotic Awareness.ca](#) has resources on their website; you can also find more great antibiotic information, materials, and educator tools at [Do Bugs Need Drugs?](#)

Flu Shot Season

Flu shot season is almost here... and it's a good time to remind your staff to make sure all their vaccinations are up to date. We have created an [immunization information page](#) on the PICNet website with links to information and checklists.



Webber Training

Upcoming Webber Teleclasses

Please note: **the Webber schedule is subject to change, so be sure to check the PICNet website** for upcoming classes. We will always send out the email notification 1-3 days before, so make sure you're [signed up](#) for these.



Occupational Infection Control In Correctional Settings

Date: November 7th, 2013

Speaker: Robert Marton, Miami-Dade County, Florida

Dental Unit Water Contamination - Health Risks And Methods Of Control

Date: November 14th, 2013

Speaker: Prof. Raghu Puttaiah, Managed Care Concepts, L.L.C.

Lyme Disease: Knowledge, Beliefs, And Practices Of Physicians In A Low Endemic Area

Date: December 12th, 2013

Speaker: Dr. Bonnie Henry, BCCDC

Is there validity to VRE testing and screening?

Date: December 19th, 2013

Speaker: Dr. Michelle Alpha, University of Winnipeg

The Webber Teleclass schedule for Nov-Dec 2013 can be found on the [PICNet website](#).

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