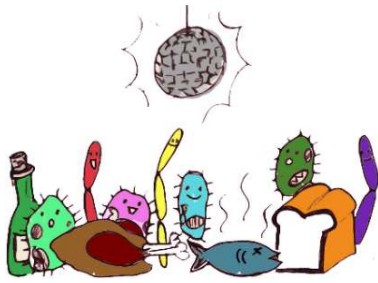


APIC Tri-Valley Virtual Mini Fall Conference

November 13, 2025

10:00 am – 4:00 pm



Bugged by infections? We're on it!

10:00 A – 11:00 A



Healthcare Planning, Design, Construction & Occupancy: An IP Focus

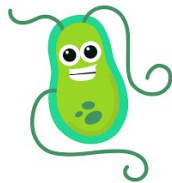
~ Linda Dickey, RN, MPH, CIC, CPHQ, FAPIC [CEO/Consultant, Linda L. Dickey Consulting, LLC, APIC Past President 2022]

OBJECTIVES

- Illustrate the difference between project phases and how infection preventionists contribute during each phase.
- Describe the Safety Risk Assessment and how starting in the planning phase can support IP design efforts
- Clarify how the ICRA contributes to the overall project, including design, construction and occupancy



11:00 A – 12:00 P

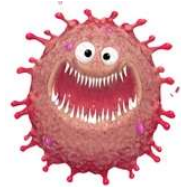


The Intersection of Wound Healing, Surgery & Infection

~ Liza Ovington, PhD [Medical Director Consultant for Ethicon Wound Closure & Healing]

OBJECTIVES

- Describe 4 key steps of the normal wound healing process
- List 3 systemic requirements for optimal wound healing
- Explain at least 3 methods of wound classification
- List the 4 most common surgical wound healing complications
- Describe 4 infection prevention technologies which specifically target the surgical incision



12:00 P – 12:15 P



Biopatch

~ Danielle Gallagher, BSN, RN
Johnson & Johnson – Ethicon



12:15 P – 12:45 P

Lunch (on your own)

12:45 P – 1:45 P

Elevating, Developing, and Retaining Infection Preventionists: A strategic Plan and Residency

~ Laura Aschenberg, RN, BSN, CIC [System Director of Infection Prevention for CommonSpirit Health's National Patient Safety Team]

~ Wendy Kaler, CLS, MPH, CIC [Infection Prevention Consultant CommonSpirit Health, Berkeley, California]
~ Rebecca (Becky) Leach, MPH, BSN, RN, CIC [Infection Control Today's Editorial Advisory Board Member]

OBJECTIVES

- Describe how a strategic plan can be used to provide framework to a system infection control program
- Understand the importance of a standard approach to onboarding Infection Preventionists
- Apply the concepts of a strategic plan and a residency program to foster and retain Infection Preventionists



1:45 P – 2:45 P



Hospital Linen: Addressing an Overlooked High-Touch Surface

~ Kelley Knapek, MPH, BSN, RN, CIC, CWON, FAPIC [Infection Prevention Consultant]

OBJECTIVES

- Identify the most recent national guidelines for linen management and describe how outbreaks since this time have influenced our knowledge
- Identify the critical hazard and control points for a linen management infection control program, and determine two or more mitigation activities for each point at either an on-site or off-site laundry facility
- Assess the role that linen plays in the risk of developing infections from environmental pathogens and publicly reportable hospital acquired infections
- Describe two or more evidence supported interventions for linen management at the point of use, that can be implemented within the infection prevention and control program to decrease the risk of hospital acquired infections
- Identify key considerations for implementing antimicrobial textiles and decontamination protocols as part of the infection prevention and control program

2:45 P – 3:00 P



SilvaClean

~ Cody Marowski
Applied Silver, Inc



3:00 P – 4:00 P



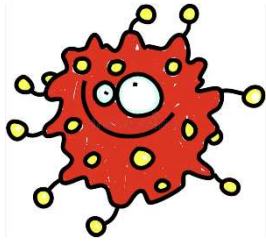
10 Things I Wish I Knew When I First Became a Hospital Epidemiologist

~ Zachary A. Rubin, MD [Chief, Healthcare Outreach Unit, ACDC Program, LACDPH]

OBJECTIVES

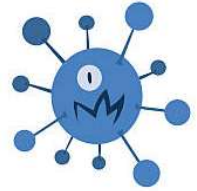
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Audience: Registered nurses, licensed vocational nurses, acute and long-term care facility infection preventionists, quality management personnel, epidemiologists, and infectious disease staff.

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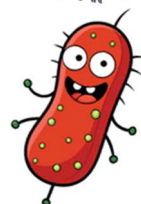
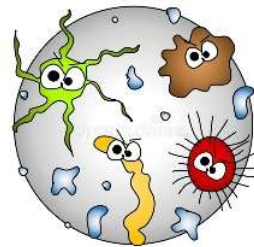
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