

PICNet

BC's Provincial Infection Control Network

Hello Everyone,

Third Stakeholder Summit

A reminder that the Third Stakeholder Summit will be held on **June 21, 2006**.

Webber Training Debrief

Since February 2006 the Provincial Infection Control Network of BC (PICNet – BC) has hosted educational classes offered by Webber Training (<http://webbertraining.com/schedulep1.php>). These classes address topics of interest to infection control professionals and other healthcare professionals worldwide. The charts below list the topics of interest, the outlines, the name and affiliation of the presenters, for upcoming teleclasses in the month of April.

APRIL

Date:	Topic of Interest:	Teleclass Outline:	Presenter:
April 13 th , 2006	Value and Strategy for Vaccination and Immunization	The diseases for which we have vaccinations, and how those vaccinations impact public health. Dr. Gemmill will address the facts regarding negative outcome reports and rumours	Dr. Ian Gemmill, Dir. of Public Health Kingston ON
April 20 th , 2006	Secrets of the CBIC Test Committee	Members of the Certification Board of Infection Control will discuss CIC certification and how ICP's can successfully become CIC certified.	CBIC Board Members
April 27 th , 2006	Evaluation and Comparison of Quality Management Systems - ISO, Six Sigma, Baldrige, Toyota Production Model	The objectives of this teleclass include: - Compare ISO, Baldrige, Six Sigma, and Toyota Production Model as applied to infection control programs - Evaluate the adaptation of each quality tool to healthcare terminology - Describe infection control protocol with respect to each quality theory	Dr. Tammy-Sue Lundstrom, Wayne State University

PICNet's role as a host is to bridge the lines between interested participants within in the province to Webber Training. PICNet has asked interested participants to gather as a group in a single area to listen to the teleclasses. Each group has elected a lead to represent such a group. The list below identifies the current leads:

Organization	Lead	
Providence Health Care	Jim Curtain	
MDS Metro	Jennifer Heal	
Children's and Womens	Bonnie.Anderson	
Northern Health Authority	Regional Manager	Joanne Archer
	Prince Rupert	Deanna Hembroff
	Terrace/Kitimat	Kathryn.Vandermeulen
	Prince George	Jody.Peterson
	Fort St. John	Bernada.Clarke
	Dawson Creek	Brenda.DeVuyst

VIHA	Comox - St. Josephs Hospital	Annette Davis
Fraser Health Authority	Surrey – Surrey Memorial Hospital	Scott Henwick
Interior Health Authority		Sherri Lampman
BCCDC	Vancouver	Johanna Ledesma

If you are interested in participating please contact the lead in your area or picnetbc@bccdc.ca .

Meetings

The following table provides an update on PICNet meetings held during the past month and planned for this month:

	MARCH	APRIL
Needs Assessment Working Group	March 10 th	
Communications/ Stakeholder Summit Working Group	March 10 th	April 18 th
Ad Hoc Structure Working Group	March 22 nd	
Surgical Site Infection Surveillance Working Group		April 19 th
Steering Committee	March 21 st	April 18 th

Needs Assessment Project Update

The Needs Assessment project is wrapping up. The final draft report will be tabled with the Steering Committee on April 18th and then with the Provincial Medical Services Committee in May/June. The findings will then be tabled with the broader community of practice at the Third Stakeholder Summit in June 2006.

CHICA/SHEA

PICNet is pleased to announce that two of its abstracts have been accepted as poster presentations at the upcoming CHICA conference in London, Ontario, May 6-10th.

As we mentioned in our March newsletter, as a token of PICNet's appreciation for all the support PICNet has received from the Health Authorities while implementing our Needs Assessment, the Steering Committee offered each Health Authority the opportunity to send additional staff to upcoming conferences. We would like to report that a total of 12 individuals from across the province have received funding from PICNet to attend upcoming SHEA and/or CHICA conferences.

PICNet Management Office

The PICNet Management Office is pleased to welcome Bruce Gamage RN BSN CIC on board for the year ahead. Bruce has been seconded from BCCDC Laboratory Services to assist PICNet on a number of projects including the development of best practice guidelines and to provide support to PICNet members on infection control related issues.

The PICNet Management Office has recently purchased some educational materials which will be a resource to our members.

Two award winning initiatives from the Capital Health Region, the Do Bugs Need Drugs Program and the Hands on for Health Respiratory Etiquette video, are being provided by PICNet. Health Care facilities from around the province will be invited to participate in this program. Watch for an invitation coming to you soon.

Also three copies of an educational CD on Infection Prevention and Control for front line workers and a complete CD library of the Webber teleclasses have been purchased. These are available for loan to our PICNet members. A list of these resources will be posted on the web site at www.picnetbc.ca. Anyone interested in borrowing these materials please email the PICNet Management Office at picnet@bccdc.ca.

Finally, we would also like to take this opportunity to thank Julia Kingsbury for all the hard work she did on PICNet's behalf since she joined us in the fall of 2005. Julia is now taking a well deserved trip and we wish her the very best with her future endeavors.

If you have any questions on any of the information discussed above, please feel free to contact:

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