

PICNet

BC's Provincial Infection Control Network

Happy New Year!

The Second Stakeholder Summit for the Provincial Infection Control Network was held on December 14th, 2005. It was attended by over 80 individuals from across the province and beyond. The goal of the Summit was to enable a broad representation of the stakeholder community to enhance their understanding of the Provincial Infection Control Network (PICNet). The results from the summit evaluations were extremely positive (modal scoring of 4 or 5 out of 5 on all topics!).

For more information on the Stakeholder Summit please visit our website at: www.picnetbc.ca

Next Steps for the Network can be summarized into three general areas:

1. **Finalize activities related to the management and administration of PICNet** (ie. the Steering Committee chose to adopt the Network model for PICNet. This affects how PICNet will structure its' committees; how decision making will occur; what activities PICNet will engage in, etc)
2. **Complete implementation of current activities & advance on key new items** (ie. this includes: 1) working with the Safer Healthcare Now! project on the surveillance of surgical site infections; 2) piloting the surveillance recommendations for *C. difficile* developed by PICNet; 3) completing the Needs Assessment, etc)
3. **Evaluate and enhance existing work.** This includes enhancing communications work (i.e. the website) and evaluating technical environments that support collaborative activities.

Cheers

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