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Update on CHICA Audit Toolkit

Anne Bialachowski
CHICA Programs & Projects

Current Committee Members

- Current Audit Tool Committee members are:
  - Anne Bialachowski (CHICA-HANDIC) – Project Co-lead
  - Karen Clinker (CHICA-NWO) – Project Co-lead
  - Mary Lellanc - Writer
  - Shirley McDonald – Graphics Designer

Each new or revised audit tool will be approved by the CHICA-Canada Standards & Guidelines Committee.

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Objectives and Outcomes

- To create a resource kit of audit tools for a variety of practice settings
- To provide these tools on-line to CHICA members at no cost
- All members of CHICA will have the opportunity to be involved and participate in the submission and recognition for their work on approved audits for the CHICA website

List of Completed Tools

1. Multi-Room Infection
2. Infection Control in Long Term Care
3. Infection Control in Emergency Rooms
4. Health Care Acquired Hepatitis B
5. Hand Hygiene
6. Hand Hygiene and the Tanner Unit
7. Hand Hygiene and the Birthing Unit
8. Hand Hygiene in the Operating Room

How will they be rolled out?

- Announcements will be made when the audit tools are posted (after review by Standards & Guidelines)
- Anticipated start October
- Anticipated Spring 2010 printed document available – Members $225.00 Non-Members $325.00
- CD version-$50

Evaluation

- Evaluation tool in the toolkit to be used to evaluate the tools
- Complete and forward to MSO
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### National Network of Networks

**Bruce Gamage**  
Provincial Infection Control Network of BC

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### History

- PICNet was formed in 2005 by the BC Ministry of Health
- Mission is to maximize coordination and integration of activities related to health care associated infection prevention, surveillance and control for the entire province using an evidence-based approach.
- Following the “Campbell Report” other provinces formed similar provincial or regional programs

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### History (cont.)

- Shirley Paton (PHAC) suggested we form a “Network of Network” to allow representatives of these provincial programs to come together to share information, resources, and insights.
- Group has met 4 times (twice at CHICA conferences)
- At the 2009 conference suggested that group should form an interest group.

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### Members

- Marion Yetman (NL)
- Patsy Rawding (NS)
- Stacey Linger (PEI), Gail Barwise (PEI)
- Tracey Newton (NB)
- Ramona Rodrigues (PQ), Madeleine Tremblay (PQ)
- Coleen Nisbet (ON), Claire Barry (ON), Erica Bontovics (ON)
- Liz Van Horne (ON)
- Genevieve Thompson (MB)
- Colleen Lambert (SK)
- Bernice Heinrichs (AB)
- Bruce Gamage (BC), Joanne Archer (BC)
- Shirley Paton (PHAC)
- Anne Bialachowski (CHICA)

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### Proposed Interest Group Goals

- To develop and support a sustainable mechanism for communication among Infection Control Professionals appointed by their respective province or territory and by key national non-governmental organizations with a special interest in healthcare associated infections.
- Promote sharing of F/P/T HAI educational initiatives, materials, and research findings.
- Disseminate information about federal, provincial, territorial, and national HAI non-governmental organizations initiatives related to the prevention and control of HAI in Canada and Internationally.

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### Proposed Interest Group Goals (cont.)

- Work towards standard case definitions for HAI surveillance of key organisms and infections that will facilitate intra and inter-provincial, national and potentially international comparison of HAI rates and trends.
- Work towards harmonization and consistency in the numerous local, provincial/territorial/federal and national HAI non-governmental organizations’ infection control guidelines to decrease duplication of effort and harmonization of recommendations.
- Promote a sufficient, sustainable and competent HAI prevention and control workforce across Canada.

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