

# Member Newsletter: MAY 2023

Mission: To advance the science of infection prevention and control Vision: A safer world through the prevention of infections

### **Reminders:**

- Upcoming Virtual Chapter Meetings: May 10, July 12
- New: LinkedIn profile for our chapter! Search "APIC SFBayArea" to connect and follow!
- Registration open for APIC 2023 Annual Conference; June 26-28, Orlando, FL; Let us know if you'll be there in person!
- May 5 is World Hand Hygiene Day! Post any of your facility activities to our chapter Facebook or tag the chapter on LinkedIn; we look forward to seeing your pictures!

## Chapter Information

**Share Open IP Positions**: Contact Maricar Telmo to post positions

IPC Specialist, LPCH/Stanford Children's Health

2023 Speakers/ Educational Topics: Contact Laura Tang or Brenna Doran

**Scholarships for Conferences & Education:** Contact Rowena Aseo

Scholarships are available for 2023 APIC Conference, apply today!! See QR Code/Link

**Recognition:** Contact Lilia Ryan

We want to share and celebrate any chapter member's recent achievements!! Awards Certifications (i.e., a-IPC, CIC), fellowships Abstracts, papers, presentations, and posters!!

**Borrow From or Contribute To the Chapter Library**: Contact Alison Prati

Membership questions: Contact Amy Valencia

### Get Involved!

#### CHAPTER WEBSITE REDESIGN

We are looking for members with experience in website development to refresh and update our site! Please reach out to Maricar if you're interested.

### **JOURNAL/ ABSTRACT CLUBS 2023**

Help facilitate journal clubs and/or help others develop abstracts for conferences or publications.

#### CHAPTER PROJECTS

- 1. IP Pipeline (Contact Jonathan Schouest)
- 2. Skilled Nursing Facility/ Long Term Care Facility IP Membership Drive (Contact Amy Valencia)

## Bringing Back: Hot Topic Roundtables and Journal/Abstract Club

One of our chapter goals for 2023 is to support the advancement of research competency and collaboration for our members. We will be bringing back a prepandemic chapter tradition of holding roundtables and journal clubs!

- 1. Hot Topic Roundtable: sharing best practices and areas of opportunity on key infection control topics with each other. Stay on the zoom after our normal chapter meeting to share/listen in to our SF Bay Area colleagues
- 2. Journal Club: Group review and discussion of an infection control related research article to improve skills in critiquing literature, and reviewing evidence-based practices to incorporate into our own programs
- 3. Abstract Club: team mentoring and support to encourage and support members in submitting abstracts for conferences and publication.

We will be extending our May meeting by 30 minutes for a Hot Topic Roundtable. Come with ideas of topics you would like to hear how your peers are managing that topic at their respective facilities!

### News & Advocacy

CMS Issues Enhanced Enforcement Memorandum for IPC Deficiencies and Quality Improvement Activities in Nursing Homes

CMS Releases Payment Rules for SNFs, IRFs, Hospice, and IPFs

CDC Reports Marburg Virus Disease Outbreaks in Equatorial Guinea and Tanzania

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