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South East Region Infection Prevention and Control Hub Newsletter

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Program Update and NEW Hub Team Member!

As the needs of our partners change, so does the way in which we work to provide support.

We are excited about our ability to now provide proactive support for our LTC/RH partners, as we move forward in our program. Our team has started outreach and working collaboratively with facility IPAC Leads.

The collaboration is being done in a way that does not create more work and pressure, but rather works to support the review, growth and strengthening components of existing IPAC programs. We are all learning everyday while working in IPAC and can accomplish more when we work together!



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Fall Preparedness—upcoming events

- IPAC Ottawa Region and IPAC Eastern Ontario are hosting a Certificate in Infection Control study group. This series is free to anyone planning on challenging their certification in Infection Control through the [Certification Board of Infection Control and Epidemiology](#). There are seven sessions starting on September 28th to November 9th occurring every Wednesday at 6:30 pm. To register, please email: mckees@providencecare.ca
- KFL&A Public Health is holding their annual Community Infection Prevention Partners (CIPP) on October 6th from 9 am-11 am for long-term care and retirement homes. **Spoiler alert** : The IPAC Hub will be presenting “Building IPAC Standards into Programs for LTC and RH –The Future is Proactive and Collaborative”. Register by contacting KFL&A Public Health.
- Public Health Ontario is holding a Fall Preparedness: Respiratory Infections Case Scenarios for Long-term Care on October 6th from 12 pm-1 pm. Register [here](#).

IPAC Ottawa Region and IPAC Eastern Ontario
Virtual CIC Study Group Series
Fall 2022 (Sept 28- Nov 9)
(Reading material and Teams links to follow)

Dates	Speaker and Topic
September 28 (1830-2000)	Introduction to the series AND Sandra Calley President- CBIC
October 5 (1830-2000)	Occupational Health and Safety Frida Plourde, Winchester District Memorial Hospital Microbiology
October 12 (1830-2000)	Dialysis surveillance Colleen Weir, The Ottawa Hospital
October 19 (1830-2000)	Surgical Site Infection and VAP Natalie Bruce, Public Health Agency of Canada
October 26 (1830-2000)	Reprocessing Suzanne Rowland, Public Health Agency of Canada
November 2 (1830-2000)	Epidemiology Chatura Prematunga, Public Health Agency of Canada
November 9 (1830-2000)	Construction and Renovation Jessica Fullerton, The Ottawa Hospital
	Environmental Cleaning Chris Smith, The Perley Ridesau Veterans' Health Centre
	Q&A Recent successful CICs

Epi update

- COVID-19 activity still remains on the rise in our region, please check these updates on local epidemiology. [HPE Region](#). [KFL&A Region](#). [LGL Region](#).

Upcoming Communities of Practice

LTCH & RH:

LGL - October 5th at 11:00 am
KFLA - November 15th at 12:00 pm

Congregate Living Settings:

LGL - October 5th at 1:30 pm

In Case you Missed It!

-Action IPAC - Activities to Support Infection Prevention and Control Practices in Congregate Living Settings. Available [here](#).

National Infection Control Week

- October 17-21st is Infection Control Week! Plan your week to focus on spreading prevention and not infection. Some examples of activities can be found [here](#) as well as [here](#) to promote awareness of infection prevention and control. Posters to promote Infection Control Week are available [here](#).

Contact Information

Intake Request

To submit an intake request or urgent request for service, [click here](#).

General Contact

Email us with any questions at SEHubIntake@KingstonHSC.ca.

Feedback

We value our partner suggestions and feedback. If the SE IPAC Hub has provided your organization with services please take a minute to complete our feedback survey to help us improve our program! To provide feedback, [click here](#).