

PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS DIRECTOR

1. 2011 Ecolab Poster Contest

- It is the 25th anniversary of CHICA Eastern Ontario in 2011. CHICA –EO has graciously agreed to host this poster contest.
- The theme chosen is “INfection Prevention - Are you IN? Get INVolved, provide INput, INitiate change!

2. Programs & Projects Working Committee

- The working committee has continued to meet regularly. Since September 2010 the P&P working committee has been acting on its mandate to provide an annual review of currently available CHICA audit tools.
- Review comments from the P&P working committee are submitted to the audit toolkit committee.
- Revisions requiring further input are submitted to Standards and Guidelines for their feedback, otherwise minor revisions are made by the Audit Toolkit Committee and the audit is posted to the website with a new revised date.
- Interest was expressed in having an on-line IP&C manual table of contents and templated policy and procedures that all could access.
- Interest expressed to have a session at Novice/Advanced Practitioner Day on developing IP&C policies and procedures.

3. Current projects

a) CHICA audit toolkit

- Since the 2010 conference the Audit Toolkit Committee has been meeting every other week as the number of audits to be completed is declining. A current list of completed audits is up on the CHICA website.
- In the spring, summer and fall editions of CJIC, articles on auditing have been written and submitted by the CHICA audit toolkit committee
- A morning presentation on auditing entitled “Closing the Loop” was held at the 2010 conference
- A post-conference presentation on auditing will be held at the 2011 national conference
- Lately the committee has been using Skype to conduct meetings with variable success (dropping of calls occurring)
- A special thanks to Standards and Guidelines in their review of the many audits in a timely fashion to make them available to our members

b) CHICA Booth

- Free travel drives with 17 songs, 3 games, 4 other resources and the CHICA-Canada posters for 2009 and 2010 were on the drives handed out at the CHICA booth at the 2010 national conference in Vancouver. These were well received by members.
- Interactive audit toolkit CDs were sold at the booth to CHICA members
- The total sales at the CHICA booth at the 2010 conference totaled \$1,700.00
- The CHICA booth at the 2011 conference will also have free travel drives. The content planned for this coming year is screen savers of past Ecolab Poster Contest winners, and NICW resources. Shirley McDonald will be adding links to websites e.g. http://www.chica.org/links_construction.html. This would look similar to all of the resource pages on the CHICA website, only the resources will be on one USB drive that members could take and use anytime, anywhere on any computer.

Industry Partnerships

BD and CHICA 2011 Roadshow

- A full-day BD and CHICA 2011 Roadshow, is being planned to take place on Friday April 8, 2011 in Regina, Saskatchewan. CHICA SASKPIC will market the roadshow. The overall theme for the roadshow is **Reducing Hospital-Acquired Infections**.

- The tentative educational topics include:
 - Canadian Surveillance on AROs
 - Antibiotic Resistance – Overview and Stewardship
 - AROs – The Pharmacist Role
 - Human Factors
 - Positive Deviance
 - Case Scenarios - MRSA, C. diff, VRE
 - Concurrent sessions:
 - CR-BSIs
 - Environmental cleaning audit tools
 - NDM1/ ESBL/UTIs/AROs in Community/LTC
 - Norovirus in the Community
 - SSIs
 - Case Scenarios based on the day's topics

- Gerry Hansen, Donna Moralejo and Karen Clinker are working with SASKPIC and BD on this initiative

3M and CHICA Canada Educational Days – Using Social Marketing to Promote Hand Hygiene Compliance

- Anne Bialachowski, Shirley McDonald and Karen Clinker each to present a 1.5 hour session on the auditing process at the Toronto, Montreal and Halifax sessions being held in February 2011

Overall it has again been a very busy year!!

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