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Infection Control – It’s Simple!
National Infection Control Week – October 18-22, 2010

“Infection Control – It’s Simple!” is the theme of this year’s National Infection Control Week, October 18-22, 2010. Infection Prevention and Control programs have been widely recognized to be both clinically effective and cost-effective in preventing and controlling the spread of infections in health care settings. However, ultimately the most effective way to prevent the transmission of infection is through hand hygiene and effective environmental cleaning.

Washing your hands is an ordinary procedure and does not take a lot of time and effort or thought. You can use soap and water or alcohol based sanitizers.. It takes only 20-30 seconds of your time to wash your hands.....

Now that’s simple!

National Infection Control Week will provide Infection Prevention and Control Professionals within healthcare facilities and community settings the opportunity to promote the “Infection Control – It’s Simple!” theme. Infection Prevention and Control Professionals will be providing multi-modal education and collaborating with other organizations in order to deliver the message that infection prevention and control can be very simple.

Keep in mind that National Infection Control Week is just the beginning. This invaluable lesson is one that must continue to be taught so that the impact of infections can be minimized.

CHICA–Canada is a national, multi-disciplinary, voluntary association of Infection Prevention and Control Professionals (ICPs) with 21 chapters across the country dedicated to the health of Canadians by promoting excellence in the practice of infection prevention and control

Contact the Infection Prevention and Control Professional in your hospital or community for further information on activities planned for National Infection Control Week. Visit CHICA-Canada’s web site (www.chica.org) for infection prevention and control information. For additional information or to contact your Local CHICA-Canada Chapter:

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