

SASKATCHEWAN PRACTITIONERS IN INFECTION CONTROL (SASKPIC)

2008 Executive

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2009 Executive

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Number of Members: 63

Geographic Area Served: Saskatchewan

Membership

CHICA-SASKPIC has a diverse group of members with backgrounds in acute, long-term care, public health, medicine, community health, environmental services, laboratory and infection control. We saw an increase of two members this year.

Meetings

This year our chapter held an education session/chapter meeting in March by telehealth. With the large geographical location of our members we could reach our members without having our members travel great distances. Our annual general meeting was held following our Fall CHICA-SASKPIC conference.

The executive met six times throughout 2008.

Highlights

- On March 6, 2008, we held our first telehealth session named “Hand Hygiene and Compliance” with 3M providing assistance with the speakers. Following the hour telehealth session we held a short chapter meeting. Positive feedback was received from members to continue this avenue of meetings in the future.
- On September 19 we held our annual fall conference and AGM in Saskatoon. This year our conference was called “Stop Bugs Now-Your Role in Infection Control”. We had a very successful conference with 125 registrants attending.
- As a chapter we were able to fund our president’s and treasurer’s attendance to the National CHICA Canada Conference in Montreal. This year, we also had sufficient funds to assist two additional CHICA-SASKPIC members to attend the national conference in June.
- Our chapter has set aside monies for an education fund to assist SASKPIC members in obtaining various education needs such as CIC designation or various Infection Control courses.

*Michelle Luscombe RN CIC
Chapter President.*