

CHICA-BC

Executive 2009

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Executive 2010

President: Robyn Hunter RN BSN
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Number of Members: 126

Geographic Area Served: All of BC, with exception of Vancouver Island where they have a separate chapter

Membership From across the continuum of care.

Meetings

Executive meetings were held on January 14, March 11, June 10, September 30 and November 18th 2009. General Meetings were held January, March, June, October & November. These General meetings were held at Royal Columbia except for the one in October which was held in Kelowna at the Interior Health Corporate Office. All meetings were available via teleconference for any member not able to travel to attend. At the general meetings, the second hour of the meeting consisted of an education component.

January 28th meeting: a Virox rep spoke on Cleaning and Disinfection.

March 25th meeting: we had the PICIS Surveillance Program with the IT staff demonstrating via Live meeting to show all members the Surveillance system in place for Interior Health and discussing its application.

June 24th meeting: education was a roundtable to discuss presentations and lessons learned at the CHICA 2009 Conference in St John's.

October 15th: Education portion was the Education Day but was held on the following day, October 16th, in Kelowna

Nov 25th: a report on the MRSA Roadshow in Victoria November 10th and discussion on the presentations given, by Joy Pyett. As well, the findings from the St Paul's CDI (formerly C-Difficile) was given by Mary McNaughton.

Highlights

- The Terms of Reference for CHICA-BC were revised and adopted
- We added a new position to our executive, that being the membership secretary
- CHICA-BC received the CIC Award for the most new CIC members and received \$750.00 for this at the CHICA 2009 Conference

A CHICA-BC Education Day was held on Oct 16th in Kelowna and 68 delegates attended. Speakers were: Laureen Sommerey RN BScN CETN(C) on Do Wound Bugs Need Drugs? Best Practice Recommendations for Wounds Infection

Dr. Edith Blondel-Hill, MD FRCP spoke on Bacteruria and Pyuria—Do they always need antibiotics?

Dr. Paul Hasselback, MD MSc FRCP spoke on TB or not TB? An Outbreak of TB Amongst Street Oriented Persons in the Central Okanagan

Bruce Gamage RN BSN BSc(Mich) CIC spoke on H1N1 Influenza—The do's and don't's of PPE

A Panel of speakers that included Bruce Gamage, Edith Blondel-Hill and Dr Paul Hasselback gave an update on H1N1 and answered questions from the group.

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Chapter President*