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Hospital Infection Director—CDC

William J. Martone, MD, has been promoted from the position of Acting Director to Director, Hospital Infections Program of the Center for Infectious Diseases at the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta.

Nosocomial Sessions at Upcoming ASM Meetings

Division L (Nosocomial Infections) of the American Society for Microbiology (ASM) has an active agenda planned for the annual ASM meeting, May 14-18, 1989, in New Orleans. The outgoing Division L chairman, David Shlaes, MD, and the 1989 chairman, Glen Mayhall, MD, encourage their SHEA colleagues to attend this excellent and exciting meeting.

Division L will sponsor six seminars, two poster sessions, and one slide session. The seminars are: 1) *Clostridium difficile* Infections: New Lessons from Bacterial Typing Systems; 2) Computerized Information Systems and Hospital Epidemiology; 3) Current Concepts in Biosafety; 4) Rapidly Growing Non-Tuberculous Mycobacteria; 5) Surgical Wound Infection Update: Epidemiology, Pathogenesis, and Prevention; and 6) Antibiotic Resistance. There will be a slide presentation on "Molecular Markers for Hospital-Acquired Microorganisms," and poster sessions on "Hospital Outbreaks of Nosocomial Pathogens" and "Surveillance, Cost, and Prevention of Nosocomial Infections." The Division L speaker will be Richard Wenzel, MD, who will present "New Frontiers for Hospital Epidemiology: Assuring Quality Care."

Division L currently has 450 members. A meeting for division members will be held in New Orleans on Wednesday, May 17, at noon. Please consult the ASM schedule for location.

Infection Control Meeting—China

The Chinese Association of Preventive Medicine will sponsor the founding meeting of its Society of Nosocomial Infection Control. This momentus event will be held in Changsha City, Hunan Province this summer.

The meeting will include scientific presentations and will be followed by a training course in nosocomial infection surveillance and control. More information may be obtained from Professor Wang Shuqun, Department of Epidemiology, 3 Yabao Road, Chaoyang District, Beijing, PR China.

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