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SHEA News

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Joint Hand Hygiene Task Force

For the first time, HICPAC is producing a guideline in conjunction with other societies. A joint HICPAC/SHEA/APIC/IDSA hand-hygiene task force has been formed to write the guideline. Members of the joint task force include John M. Boyce, Barry Farr, William Jarvis, Elaine Larson, Maryanne McGuckin, Carol O'Boyle, Didier Pittet, Jane Siegel, Marjorie Underwood, Andreas Widmer, and Jolynn Zeller. John Boyce and Didier Pittet have been proposed to serve as primary authors of the joint guideline.

It is hoped that this first attempt to develop multi-organizational guidelines will be successful and will serve as a model for future guideline development on issues that relate to preventing infections in healthcare facilities.

SHEA Workshop

Are you registered for the SHEA Satellite Education Workshops during the Fourth Decennial International Conference on Nosocomial and Healthcare-Associated Infections?

To register for SHEA's Satellite Education Workshops on March 4, 2000 (1PM-5 PM), go to http://www.decennial.org. For additional information, call (856) 423-7222 ext 350, or e-mail: sheamtg@talley.com.

Please note: The SHEA Business Meeting will be held on Monday, March 6, 2000, 5:15PM-6:00PM, at the Hyatt Regency, 265 Peachtree St, Atlanta, GA. The business meeting will be followed by the SHEA Reception, 6:00 PM-7:15 PM.

Calendar

Mar 5-9. SHEA's 10th Annual Scientific Meeting in conjunction with the 4th Decennial International Conference on Nosocomial Infections and Healthcare-Associated Infections. Atlanta, GA. Info: http://www.decennial.org/.

Mar 27-31. Extension Training Program for Infection Control Practitioners. The University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics, Iowa City, IA. Info: roscoe-porch@uiowa.edu.

Apr 10-13. Ninth International Congress on Infectious Diseases. Buenos Aires, Argentina. Info: isidbos@aol.com.

Apr 17-19. Central Sterilising Club meeting. Royal Agricultural College, Cirencester, UK. Info: robertcspencer@bristolphl.freeserve.co.uk.

May 3-5. 18th Annual Meeting of the European Society for Paediatric Infectious Disease, Neonatal Infections Antimicrobial Practice. Noordwijk, The Netherlands. Info: Y.Beeukkes@mmb.azn.nl.

May 3-5. First Biennial Conference of the Australian Infection Control Association. Adelaide, South Australia. Info: aica2000@im.com.au.

May 7-10. Third European Congress of Chemotherapy. Madrid, Spain. Info: ecc@congrex.se.

May 21-25. 100th American Society of Microbiology General Meeting. Los Angeles, CA. Info: meetingsinfo@asmusa.org.

May 25-26. Health Care Workers: Their Health Risks and How to Minimise Them. Berzelius Symposium No. 52. London, UK. Info: events@roysocmed.ac.uk.

May 25-27. Joint Meeting of the Surgical Infection Society Europe and the European Shock Society. Nijmegen, The Netherlands. Info: m.majoor@buro.kun.nl.

May 28-31. 10th European Congress of Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases. Stockholm, Sweden. Info: eccmid@stocon.se.

Jun 17-21. Association for Practitioners in Infection Control meeting. Minneapolis, MN. Info: eccmid@stocon.se or apicinfo@apic.org.

Jun 20-24. Tuberculosis 2000: Past, Present and Future. New York, NY. Info: meetingsinfo@asmusa.org.

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