

APIC DFW Business Meeting Minutes

Date: 2/2/2023

<b>Facilitator</b>	Teri Mauldin	<b>Date</b>	2/2/2023	<b>Time</b>	1300 - 1500
<b>Location</b>	Microsoft TEAMS	<b>Minutes prepared by</b>	Febi Sammons		

<i>Topic</i>	<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Follow-up</i>
Welcome & Housekeeping	<p>Welcome new members and guests!</p> <p>Welcome Katrina Sims, Infection Prevention Coordinator at Fort Worth Ambulatory</p> <p>Sharon Baymon-Allen from US Public Health Services</p>	
Education	<p>“Value Analysis and Infection Prevention: Clinical Perspective of Collaboration” presented by Karen Niven, MS, BSN, RN, CVAHP</p> <p>The presentation will be posted on the APIC-DFW website.</p> <p>Continuing Education (CE) will be provided by Terri Goodman. You will receive an email from TG&amp;A within 48 hours and evaluation should be done by 2/15/2023. Handout will be available when completing the evaluation.</p>	
Vendor Message	<p>Rachel Sparks with KinnoS – Highlight for Wipes, disinfection you can see. For more information contact: <a href="mailto:rach@kinnos.com">rach@kinnos.com</a></p>	
Old Business	<p>January 2023 Business Meeting – posted on <a href="#">APIC-DFW</a> website.</p> <p>Approved by Anne Mattern</p>	
New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Follow-up to IP Career Advancement presentation from May 2022 by Demi Smockiewicz and Kellie Whitton</li> <li>• If your facility has implemented an IP career advancement/clinical ladder please contact <a href="mailto:kelliewhitton@texashealth.org">kelliewhitton@texashealth.org</a>.</li> <li>• APIC HQ Professional Advancement Committee will be publishing an official IP career ladder with job descriptions based on the APIC competency</li> <li>• Member preference survey for 2024 chapter meetings will be sent by the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of February</li> <li>• APIC-DFW will be awarding two scholarships for members to attend the APIC national conference in Orlando, FL in June. Application will be going out soon. Those who will be presenting at the conference and in need of financial assistance</li> </ul>	

<p>Board Report</p>	<p>will be given preference.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No board report</li> </ul> <table border="1" data-bbox="674 297 1623 639"> <tr> <td><b>Immediate Past President</b></td> <td><i>Donald Chitanda</i></td> <td><b>Board Member #1</b></td> <td><i>Shannon Simmons</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>President</b></td> <td><i>Teri Mauldin</i></td> <td><b>Board Member #2</b></td> <td><i>Sharon Holmes</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>President-Elect</b></td> <td><i>Stephanie Kreiling</i></td> <td><b>Board Member #3</b></td> <td><i>Thi Dang</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Secretary</b></td> <td><i>Febi Sammons</i></td> <td><b>Board Member #4</b></td> <td><i>Chuck Monney</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Treasurer</b></td> <td><i>Kristina Hobbs</i></td> <td><b>Treasurer Elect</b></td> <td><i>Kimberly Sutton</i></td> </tr> </table>	<b>Immediate Past President</b>	<i>Donald Chitanda</i>	<b>Board Member #1</b>	<i>Shannon Simmons</i>	<b>President</b>	<i>Teri Mauldin</i>	<b>Board Member #2</b>	<i>Sharon Holmes</i>	<b>President-Elect</b>	<i>Stephanie Kreiling</i>	<b>Board Member #3</b>	<i>Thi Dang</i>	<b>Secretary</b>	<i>Febi Sammons</i>	<b>Board Member #4</b>	<i>Chuck Monney</i>	<b>Treasurer</b>	<i>Kristina Hobbs</i>	<b>Treasurer Elect</b>	<i>Kimberly Sutton</i>	
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<p>Committee/SIG Reports</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Surveillance SIG – LabID events will be discussed at the February Surveillance SIG meeting</li> <li>Deborah Culmer – Annual Conference committee will be sending out a communication regarding the number of people who are planning to attend the Annual APIC-DFW conference. If you are interested in joining the Conference Committee, please email <a href="mailto:reachdebra2@gmail.com">reachdebra2@gmail.com</a></li> </ul>																					

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<p>Government Affairs Update</p>	<p>Jasmine Cluck, GAC chair, reported the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GAC Report posted with a few FDA notices. APIC DFW website: Resources → Government Affairs (<a href="#">website</a>).</li> <li>• Texas Legislative Session in full swing. We are tracking a few bills and will let members know if there are any actions to take. All bills have been filed, but haven't progressed yet. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ IP&amp;C in long term care facilities</li> <li>○ Compilation &amp; publication of reportable disease cases</li> <li>○ Public Schools – prohibits face covering mandates &amp; prohibits public schools from requiring COVID-19 vaccine documentation from students. Allows schools to implement COVID-19 screening protocols &amp; infection control protocols</li> <li>○ Study side effects, adverse reactions, and effectiveness of SARS-CoV-2 vaccines</li> </ul> </li> </ul>																										
<p>Public Health Update</p>	<p>Thi Dang, HAI Epidemiologist, with TX DSHS Region 2/3 reported the following:</p> <p>CDC HAN Health Advisory on Outbreak of Extensively Drug-resistant Pseudomonas aeruginosa Associated with Artificial Tears</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) issued a Health Alert Network (HAN) Health Advisory about infections with an extensively drug-resistant strain of Verona Integron-mediated Metallo-β-lactamase (VIM) and Guiana-Extended Spectrum-β-Lactamase (GES)-producing carbapenem-resistant Pseudomonas aeruginosa (VIM-GES-CRPA) in 12 states. Most patients reported</li> </ul>																										

	<p>using artificial tears. Patients reported more than 10 different brands of artificial tears, and some patients used multiple brands.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The majority of patients who used artificial tears reported using EzriCare Artificial Tears, a preservative-free, over-the-counter product packaged in multidose bottles. CDC laboratory testing identified the presence of the outbreak strain in opened EzriCare bottles with different lot numbers collected from two states. Patients and healthcare providers should immediately discontinue using EzriCare artificial tears pending additional guidance from CDC and the Food and Drug Administration (FDA).</li> <li>• Place patients infected or colonized with VIM-GES-CRPA and admitted to acute care settings in isolation and use <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/contact-precautions/">Contact Precautions [cdc.gov]</a>. For residents of skilled nursing facilities who are infected or colonized with VIM-GES-CRPA, use <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/infectioncontrol/control/2019/08/20-general-public-delivery-name-uscdc-511-dm98842/">Enhanced Barrier Precautions [cdc.gov]</a> if the resident does not have an indication for Contact Precautions.</li> </ul> <p>The link to the CDC HAN Health Advisory can be found below.  <a href="https://emergency.cdc.gov/han/2023/han00485.asp?ACSTrackingID=USCDC_511-DM98842&amp;ACSTrackingLabel=HAN%20485%20-%20General%20Public&amp;deliveryName=USCDC_511-DM98842">https://emergency.cdc.gov/han/2023/han00485.asp?ACSTrackingID=USCDC_511-DM98842&amp;ACSTrackingLabel=HAN%20485%20-%20General%20Public&amp;deliveryName=USCDC_511-DM98842</a> [emergency.cdc.gov]</p>	
Announcements	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Surveillance/Mentoring SIG Conference Call</u></b>          February 10<sup>th</sup> 12:00 PM          Check Website Calendar for Meeting Link</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Next Meeting Information:</u></b>          March 2, 2023, via TEAMS</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Professional Advancement Committee</u></b>  <b>First Thursday of every month</b>          Via Teams from 11:00 – 12:30          Check APIC-DFW Website for details</p>	
Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 2:46 pm	

*Next Meeting: March 2, 2023 via TEAMS*