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About APIC

The Association for Professionals in Infection Control and Epidemiology (APIC) is a United States private nonprofit professional organization for healthcare practitioners dedicated to the principles of infection control. APIC has a membership of 14,000. APIC concentrates its efforts in the hospital, nursing home and home health settings

APIC strives to limit the cause and spread of hospital-acquired (HAIs) infections by:

- Collection and analysis of healthcare data to monitor hospital-acquired infection trends, to plan interventions with other established public health agencies.
- Prevention of nosocomial infections by identifying sources of infections and stopping their transmission.
- Creation of scientifically valid infection prevention and control techniques for all healthcare personnel.
- Establishing education programs for healthcare personnel and the public in the field of infectious diseases.

APIC was created in 1972 in recognition of the need for an organized, systematic approach to the "control" of infections acquired as a result of hospitalization. Over the last 10 years, with the application of published evidence-based infection control strategies, a decreasing trend in health care-associated infections has been reported through national infection control surveillance while at the same time an alarming increase of microorganism isolates with antimicrobial resistance has been recorded. These changing trends and the growing trend to enact laws requiring hospitals to disclose hospital-specific morbidity and mortality rates along with other demands have challenged health care providers to consistently apply evidence-based recommendations to maximize prevention efforts.

APIC advances its mission through education, research, collaboration, practice guidance, and credentialing. APIC publishes magazines, journals, articles, and case studies.

APIC has a central office based in Washington, DC, and is governed by an elected board of directors comprising four officers and nine to 12 directors. In addition, APIC has about 120 regional chapters across the United States. Each chapter has their own elected officers and volunteers. Moreover, APIC offers a selection of areas of infection control concentration called sections. APIC also offers awards every year to healthcare practitioners who have been recognized as leaders in infection control advancement.

APIC's Vision: Healthcare without infection

APIC's Mission: create a safer world through prevention of infection

Welcome To APIC Greater NY Chapter 13

Dear New APIC Member,

APIC Greater New York Chapter 13 would like to extend our warmest welcome to you as a new member. Your experience in this chapter will be educational and collegial with many opportunities to network with other professionals representing a variety of facilities and expertise in Infection Prevention & Control within the New York area.

Chapter meetings are held on the third Wednesday of every month, except July and August, from 2:00 PM to 4:30 PM at Lenox Hill Hospital, Presentation Room, 100 East 77th Street & Lexington Ave, NY. We provide lunch at the start of each meeting. Meeting agendas, minutes, and special announcements are distributed to the members via email.

Monthly meetings include Journal Club and Question & Answer sessions, each about fifteen minutes long and presented by chapter members who volunteer to present, followed by an approximately hour-long presentation by a qualified/expert speaker on a topic that is current to our profession or based on educational needs expressed by the members.

Following the educational sessions, we hold a brief business meeting which includes officer's reports, and old and new business reports and discussions. Each meeting closes with our interactive "Infection Control Moment." This last meeting component allows members to pose work-related questions and everyone can then offer advice or insight into the issue raised, proving extremely valuable to members in need of immediate advice, validation, or qualified reference about a critical situation or event they may be facing.

We strongly encourage you to attend the meetings to get the most out of your chapter membership. Meetings also allow for rewarding networking with your peers and our supporting industry partners.

The information in this document and more is on our chapter website (www.apicnyc.org) or the national APIC website (www.apic.org). If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to any of the chapter leaders listed below.

Sincerely,

Membership Board, 2016

Our Chapter Vision: APIC Greater NY Chapter 13 improves the health and safety of patients, employees, and the members of the greater NY community by serving as the premier association for devising, communicating, and implementing state of the science infection prevention and safety techniques.

Chapter Mission: To improve patient health and safety by reducing risks of infection and other adverse outcomes. APIC advances its mission through education, research, consultation, collaboration, public policy, practice guidance, and credentialing.

Brief Chapter Leadership Role Descriptions

Role Descriptions: President

Term of Office: One year

Primary Function: The President is the official representative and administrative officer of APIC Greater New York Chapter 13. The president sets meeting agendas and runs meetings, directs the planning and operations of chapter conferences, and appoints committees and committee chairs, in accordance with chapter bylaws.

Role Description: Past President

Term of Office: One year

Primary Function: Serves as an advisor to the chapter president and board of directors in the execution of all business by virtue of past experience as president. Advises on past chapter practices and operations in accordance with the chapter bylaws. Upon request, assists in special projects decided by the board.

Role Descriptions: President-elect

Term of Office: One year

Primary Function: Under the direction of the president, coordinates and oversees activities of the standing committees, and performs other duties as delegated by the president. Works closely with the president to become familiar with and knowledgeable of the duties and obligations of the president. Becomes chapter president for the year following the term of president-elect.

Role Descriptions: Recording Secretary

Term of Office: Two years

Primary Function: Responsible for accurate record keeping for the chapter, including the recording, transcribing, and distribution of minutes of all official meetings of the chapter and the maintenance of chapter correspondence, reports, records, and archives in a permanent file. Works closely with the chapter president, president-elect, and webmaster to promote timely and consistent chapter information publication.

Role Descriptions: Treasurer

Term of Office: Two years

Primary Function: Responsible for accurate financial record keeping for the chapter. The duties include the following: management of all sources of income and disbursement; preparation and timely submission of quarterly and annual financial reports including submission of required tax forms for the chapter; continuous supervision of the chapter's financial status; and participation in all financial decision-making through active Board membership. The treasurer is bonded through National APIC.

Role Descriptions: Membership Chairperson

Term of Office: Two years

Primary Function: Responsible for membership recruitment and retention. Works with the chapter secretary who takes attendance at each meeting.

Role Descriptions: Nominating Chairperson

Term of Office: Two years

Primary Function: Responsible for recruiting members to become active in the leadership of the chapter. Works with chapter secretary who takes attendance at each meeting.

Role Descriptions: Bylaws Chairperson

Term of Office: Two years

Primary Function: Performs a review of the chapter bylaws at least annually to assure they are in compliance with national APIC bylaws. Complies with national APIC bylaw changes when they are published and updates the chapter bylaws for presentation to the Board and for approval at the chapter's annual meeting.

Role Descriptions: Legislative Representative

Term of Office: Two years

Primary Function: Serves as the major link between APIC Greater New York Chapter 13 and the national APIC Governmental Affairs Committee. Coordinates the various government affairs activities of the chapter. Keeps board and membership updated on legislation that may impact infection prevention and control practice.

Role Descriptions: Board of Directors

Term of Office: Two years

Primary Function: As the governing body, sets policy and provides oversight for conducting the business and functions of APIC Greater NY Chapter 13. Directs the strategic planning for the chapter. Works on projects or other assignments as directed by the chapter president or the Board.

Role Descriptions: Resource Committee Chair

Term of Office: Two years

Primary Function: Serves as the chapter's coordinator for the biannual conference and Long term Care conference. Responsible for obtaining vendors for these conferences. Sends out the conference information and applications, coordinates the staging of the vendors at the venues. Follows up and remains in contact with the vendors. Maintains a listing of the vendors for future reference.

Role Descriptions: Webmaster

Term of Office: Two years

Primary Function: Appointed by the board to serve as the major link between APIC Greater New York Chapter 13 and the chapter membership via the chapter's website. Maintains chapter website, including software coding, content

writing, updating, etc. Works closely with the chapter president, president-elect, and secretary to promote timely and consistent chapter information publication.



2016 Chapter Leadership Roster

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APIC Greater NY Chapter 13 Website – www.apicnyc.org



Website pages include:

Chapter 13 Homepage

- Chapter welcome
- Special Chapter Notices
- Speakers' Bureau Information

NYSACC Chapter Links

- Links to APIC chapters in NY State
- Special announcements/conferences in upstate chapters

Chapter 13 Leadership

- View a list of chapter leaders
- Download a current chapter leader list
- View a list of past chapter presidents

Become a Chapter Member

Directions to Meetings

2016 Meetings and Programs

- Meeting Dates and Topics of Presentations
- Download presentations from meetings

2015 Meetings and Programs

- Meeting Dates and Topics of Presentations
- Download presentations from meetings

2014 Meetings and Programs

- Meeting Dates and Topics of Presentations
- Download presentations from meetings

2013 Meetings and Programs

- Meeting Dates and Topics of Presentations

- Download presentations from meetings

2010 - 2012 Meetings and Programs

- Meeting Dates and Topics of Presentations
- Download presentations from meetings

Members' Support

- Download this New Members' Welcome and Resource Guide
- Sherry Chisholm award information and list of past winners

Chapter Bylaws/Chapter Resources

- Download a copy of the chapter's bylaws
- Download a copy of the chapter's leadership job descriptions

Chapter 13 Awards

Governmental Affairs

Long Term Care

IP Web Links

- Find links to many professional and regulatory agencies, associations, and organizations

Other IP Resources

- Many links to CDC Guidelines, Reports, Magazines, Journals, etc.

IP Career Opportunities

- Find job opportunities

Chapter Photos

Contact Us

- Use the comment box to send an email to the chapter secretary who will share it with the appropriate chapter leader.