

Southern New Jersey APIC
Chapter Meeting
May 15, 2008

The meeting was held at the Burlington County Emergency Services Training Center and was called to order at 9:00 AM.

Topic	Discussion	Action Plan
Business Meeting President Bridget Farrell	<p>April chapter minutes posted on the website. Minutes approved. Reminder that members should check the SNJ APIC and the National APIC websites frequently.</p> <p>The National Conference is scheduled for June. Approximately 10 members planning to attend. Others are encouraged to contact Bridget with cell phone number and hotel information. Group will get together for dinner.</p> <p>Plans for the joint meeting at Forsgate continue. Dr. Rutala and Dr. Jarvis are confirmed speakers. Betsy Marinella is contacting vendors.</p> <p>A conference to review the new regulations regarding vaccine preventable diseases will be held on July 25 at the UMDNJ Stratford campus. The speakers will be Dr. Peter Winger and Dr. Corey Robinson.</p>	<p>Members planning to attend National can contact Bridget with their hotel and cell phone numbers if interested in getting together.</p> <p>If any member has a vendor that may be interested in participating, please send their contact information to Betsy.</p> <p>Members are reminded that www.immunize.org is a good resource for vaccine related information.</p>
Membership Theresa Harrell	<p>Current members 197 New members 5 (4 in April, 1 May) Total membership 212</p> <p>2 new members attended today.</p>	<p>Members are encouraged to check their renewal date so applications are submitted on timely basis. Any changes (email, phone number) can be made on the website.</p>
Legislative Betsy Marinella	<p>US Congress: No new bills introduced this month. No passage of current bills noted.</p> <p>NJ Assembly and Senate: No new bills introduced this month. No passage of current bills noted.</p> <p>A comprehensive bill was introduced 5/12/08 regarding inclusion of long term care for MRSA and public reporting. http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/2008/Bills/A3000/2658_11.PDF</p>	<p>None indicated.</p>

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Education Program Urinary Tract Infection Benchmarking Project: The New Jersey Experience Ginny Wilkinson, RN, MSN Kennedy Home Health Care Voorhees, New Jersey	Program presented with discussion following regarding status of participation in NJHA UTI Collaborative and sharing of effective measures taken to reduce UTI's in all setting.	Contact Hour handout available at meeting.								
MRSA Surveillance NHSN Karyn Young-Engelman Centra State Medical Center Peg Janasie, Meridian	<p>National Healthcare Safety Network MDRO & CDAD module reviewed by Peg and Karen. Information reported on NHSN differs from NJ mandate. To standardize reporting and maximize ICP's time, suggestion made to contact Dr. Robertson.</p> <p>Peg and Karen developed MRSA Surveillance Data Collection Survey which was distributed at meeting and will be forwarded to membership. Goal is to determine how ICP's are collecting MRSA and share time saving measures.</p>	<p>Peg Janasie will follow up with Dr. Robertson and report findings to Bridget Farrell and to Kim Simon (NNJ APIC President) for dissemination to membership.</p> <p>Request completion of survey by membership.</p>								
Networking Questions submitted and discussed by membership	<p>Topics</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. SARE review of 5 sample questions 2. ICP staffing regulations and future ICP ratio. Members volunteered to work together, along with APIC National on model for ICP ratio. 3. Hand gel used in carpeted areas 4. safety sharps waiver 5. Mechanism for hand-off of patient for interdepartmental transport 	Members interested in joining a work group to develop a model for ICP ratio are encouraged to contact Bridget Farrell. To date, those in the group include Bridget Farrell (Cape Regional) Rachel Davis-Bohs ,Chair, (Atlanticare), Carol Ward)Virtua) and Lori Boschetto (Cooper)								

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	6. Hand hygiene for cashiers 7. Antimicrobial products	

Respectfully submitted,
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Recording Secretary