

APIC-DFW 2020 Business Meeting Minutes

Facilitator	Marie H. Wilson, MSN, RN, CIC (President)	Date	February 6th, 2020	Time	1300-1504
Location	Methodist Charlton Medical Center Auditorium				

Topic	Discussion	Follow-up
1. Pre-education housekeeping	Do not forget to sign-in and complete follow-up survey in order to receive credit for the educational session.	
2. Welcome call to order	<p>Thank you:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • J. Hudson Garrett, PhD • Avadim Health • Boehringer • Silentia <p>There are approximately 25 online attendees. Guests:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • L. Anderson, 4th year nursing student at Mountain View 	
3. Approval of minutes	<p>January minutes not posted until morning of February meeting.</p> <p>Jennifer Adams motion to approve, Barbara Danielson 2nd, approved.</p> <p>Review location of historical business meeting minutes on APIC-DFW Website: http://www.apic-dfw.org/meeting-minutes-1</p>	
4. CBIC CIC Recertification by IPU Update	<p>Portfolio access on CBIC website now available. Members who are up for recertification can now begin uploading scanned documents for IPUs.</p> <p>If a member has previously served APIC-DFW and would like to use for IPUs, email Marie Wilson or apicdfw@gmail.com for official letter verifying service. Please include supporting documents, if possible. The board is working with APIC to get template for these letters to ensure they are in compliance with CBIC expectations. They hope to be able to begin providing them by end of March.</p>	

	<p>Attendance of the educational sessions at APIC-DFW when certified by Teri Goodman & Associates, can be used as IPU.</p> <p>Questions: Can you upload documents even if you are not currently up for recertification? No, portfolio link only becomes live during year of recertification.</p> <p>Is IPU recertification the same price as taking the recertification exam? Yes.</p>	
5. President's Message	Due to technical difficulties, prepared content delayed until March	
6. Sunshine SIG	<p>What is the sunshine committee?</p> <p>It is sensitive to APIC DFW members' personal needs and expresses the chapter's sentiments with a card, flowers, or a special gift.</p> <p>Showed location of "Send Sunshine" link under Communicate on the APIC-DFW Website http://www.apic-dfw.org/send-sunshine</p> <p>Valentine's Day Trivia: 15% of US women send themselves flowers on Valentine's Day 1,000,000 Valentine's Day cards are exchanged annually</p> <p>Trivia question: What group of people receives the most Valentine's day cards? Teachers</p> <p>Sunshine in the form of a box of chocolates given to trivia question winner.</p>	
7. Surveillance SIG	<p>January questions and answers reviewed; these can be found here:</p> <p>Questions: http://www.apic-dfw.org/s/Surveillance-questions-for-APIC-SIG-Jan-2020.pdf</p> <p>Answers: http://www.apic-dfw.org/s/Surveillance-answers-for-APIC-SIG-Jan-2020.pdf</p> <p>27 people from APIC-DFW have completed the CAUTI & CLABSI survey as of this meeting. Please complete by February 14th. Three \$25 Amazon gift cards will be given-out. The goal is to have 120 people participate. Members of other chapters are also invited to</p>	

	<p>participate.</p> <p>You can provide an additional personal email address at http://www.apic-dfw.org/personal-emails in case your work email blocks APIC-DFW emails. If other issues arise please email apicdfw@gmail.com.</p>	
<p>8. Public Health Update</p>	<p>Scott Mize, Epidemiologist from Texas Department of State health Services, Region 2/3: Virus is spreading person-to-person in China and person-to-person in a limited fashion in other countries including the US.</p> <p>12 confirmed cases in the US, 12th case had known exposure in Beijing. Only 2 in US have been person to person (spouses of confirmed cases). 260 persons have met PUI criteria, 12 positive, 167 negative, 82 pending.</p> <p>CDC believes immediate risk to the US is low.</p> <p>Though 2019-nCoV is a novel respiratory virus, prevention strategies are the same as flu. Currently no community transmission identified in the US.</p> <p>CDC is only group that can do testing, CDC is currently in the process of sending this ability to state labs, pending verification of accuracy.</p> <p>Foreign nationals that have visited China are currently barred from entry to the US. US citizens and exempt persons returning from China are funneled to 11 airports in the US, including D/FW. These people are being monitored by local health departments. These people are screened and receive guidance to contact healthcare facilities before presenting.</p> <p>Thi Dang, HAI Epidemiologist from Tx DSHS, Region 2/3:</p> <p>2019nCoV Guidance: If a person has signs or symptoms, encourage people to call ahead before presenting. Ensure respiratory etiquette/hygiene is in place at your facilities. Use surgical mask (i.e. square masks, not N95s) for patients and respirators for staff. Make sure staff is educated on donning/doffing of PPE, as that is a common point of transmission. Keep suspect patients separate from others. Observe standard, contact, airborne, with additional eye protection when in the room with a suspect case. If no airborne room is available at a facility, place in private room with “good” airflow with the door closed. Contact public health when a suspect case is identified. Only essential personnel should enter room. A log should be kept for all</p>	<p>Public health follow-up with questions regarding PAPR cartridge re-use.</p>

staff and visitors who enter room. Restrict visitors. Use dedicated disposable non-critical care equipment. The CDC is not sure what the dwell time in the air column is at this time. After person vacates room, maintain respirator use in room and allow 2 hours' worth of air exchanges. Disposable plastic or cloth gowns are approved for use; cloth gowns are appropriate only if appropriately washed afterwards. Aerosol generating procedures are only to be done if medically necessary; if done staff wears PPE, surfaces disinfected properly and promptly. Hand hygiene recommendations are standard: hand gel or hand washing for 20 seconds. Environmental cleaning: any enveloped virus killing product. Discontinuation of isolation: no set rules at this time, decision to be made with public health department on a case-by-case basis. No DSHS or CDC recommendations for monitoring/excluding exposed healthcare workers.

Questions:

Is there evidence of fecal/oral transmission? No, but it can be detected in stool.

Any recommendation of disposal of PAPR cartridges? Will send to CDC for answer.

Should exposed staff be furloughed/excluded? No current guidance from the state. Discuss with local health authority.

Is there specialized handling for waste? No. CDC is keeping eye on waste, have had no increase of volume of waste/concerns.

Specimen handling: contact local health department for guidance on where to send specimens.

How will patients be transported if they are PUIs in the outpatient setting? If person is a PUI at an outpatient clinic, call local health department to figure-out transportation and testing.

Are information cards being given at the airport?

Yes. Travelers arriving from China are receiving cards instructing them to monitor symptoms and contact health department if symptomatic.

Are cases mostly young/old/ill/etc?

Transmission has been seen in toddlers and mother-newborn, elderly, comorbid, and healthy.

	To access daily call or for other questions, contact: coronavirus@dshs.texas.gov	
9. Treasurer's Report	As of December 31 st , 2019 Opening Balance, checking: \$32,452.69 Income: \$1,435.86 Expenses (Note: \$10,000 converted to savings): \$12,591.72 <i>Closing Balance, checking:</i> \$21,296.83 Savings Note (CD closed 04/04/19, converted to savings: \$33,481.16. Total: \$54,777.99	
10. Government Affairs Committee Report	Report not yet posted on the website, will be soon: HHS has told congress that it may transfer up to \$136 million for 2019 Novel Coronavirus HR179 sponsored by Adam Schiff and Michael Burgess, in support of vaccines, vaccine hesitancy is a risk, encourages all to get vaccinated in a timely manner. Link will be provided to assist you in contacting your congressperson to express support.	
11. Professional Advancement Committee	If you have recently certified/recertified, let PAC know so you can be recognized. Visit http://apic-dfw.org/cic-certification for information about certification, recertification, and SIG meeting schedule.	
12. APIC DFW Educational Assistance Application for 2020 Conference	Conference is in Phoenix, AZ. Application can be found at http://www.apic-dfw.org/scholarship . Additional scholarships are also listed from vendors.	
13. APIC Mega Survey	Please complete survey as it is important for development of the infection prevention profession. Reach out to APIC if have not received email or check spam filter.	
14. CSOP SIG – 2019nCoV	First SIG meeting was held. Results found under Blog section of APIC-DFW website: http://www.apic-dfw.org/blog With less than 24 hours' notice, over 100 people joined. Johns Hopkins Global Case CSSE terminal demonstrated, link in blog post.	

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15. Announcements	<p>Surveillance/Mentoring SIG Conference Call coming up February 14th, 2020 @ 12:00 PM. Check email/webpage for details.</p> <p>Next meeting at UNT Health Science Center. For parking information, see website for map.</p> <p>Networking event after March meeting at World of Beer at 3252 W/ 7th St, Fort Worth, TX 76107. 7 minute walk from the meeting location.</p> <p>General preference for classroom-style table arrangement at the business meeting was expressed over circular table arrangement.</p>	

Parking Lot Items:

Next Meeting: March 5th, 2020 UNT Health Science Center