APIC-DFW 2021 Business Meeting Minutes

Facilitator	Donald Chitanda	Date	9/2/2021	Time	1300-1430
Location	Zoom				

Topic	Discussion	Follow-up
1. Welcome and House Keeping	To receive credit for today's education session, be sure to scan the QR code at the beginning and end of the presentation.	
2. Education	Dr. Nikhil Bhayani presented "Advances in HIV Therapy"	
3. Old Business	None	
4. New Business	None	
5. Vendor Presentations	Ryan Brown from Eloquest Healthcare Inc. presented their product DetachAll.	
	Kelsey Sultzman from Lighthouse Healthcare Partners presented about their environmental infection prevention consultation services.	
6. Committee/SIG Reports	Deepika Manandhar, Nominating Committee: Nominating committee is still accepting Willingness to Serve forms for the 2021 APIC-DFW election.	
	Professional Advancement Committee: If you are newly certified or have recertified let the PAC know. PAC is seeking volunteers for 2022. No initial CIC examination will be held from October 2021-December 2021.	
	Charles Monney, Conference Committee: Conference registration is open and flyer is available on the APIC-DFW website. 5 IPUs or 4.8 CEUs will be available for attending.	
7. Treasurer Report	Opening Balance, checking \$24,168.69 Income \$142.35 Expenses (\$630.00) Closing Balance, checking \$23,681.04 Savings \$33,488.09 Total \$57,169.13	
8. Public Health Update	As of 8/31/2021, 145 <i>Candida auris</i> cases have been reported to DSHS statewide, including PHR 2/3 and other regions in Texas. The cases include those with clinical infections and those identified as colonized cases. The	

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	latest positive collection date is 8/24/2021.
	The number of cases with unusual resistance increased since the August update. There are two cases whose isolates were confirmed with panresistance (resistance to all three antifungal classes) and seven additional cases with isolates identified as Echinocandin-resistant. These cases are epi-linked.
	Due to the identification of ongoing transmission of <i>C. auris</i> in healthcare facilities in PHR 2/3, we would like to remind facilities of the following: • To prepare your facility to care for a patient with a history of <i>C. auris</i> , ensure your facility has disinfectants available from EPA List P (EPA-registered disinfectants effective against <i>C. auris</i>). If the facility does not have disinfectants on EPA List P, then ensure there is a disinfectant available from EPA List K (EPA-registered disinfectants effective against <i>C. difficile</i>). • Educate staff on manufacturer's instructions for use for the disinfectant, including contact time and dilution. We recommend IP auditing of environmental cleaning/disinfection practices for EVS and clinical staff, which includes direct observations of these practices, not just reviewing the cleanliness of surfaces. • When a patient is on contact precautions for <i>C. auris</i> , staff should discard all PPE after each encounter. • When a patient is transferred to another healthcare facility, communicate with public health and facility IP to help ensure transmission-based precautions gets implemented at the new facility. Please continue to monitor for <i>C. auris</i> results and promptly report cases to your local health department. Ensure the isolate is submitted to DSHS Lab.
9. Announcements	Surveillance/Mentoring SIG Conference Call: September 10 th , 2021 at

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	1200	
	No meeting in October due to annual APIC-DFW conference on Friday, October 22nd, 2021 at 1300	
	Anne Mattern: reach-out to members local colleagues about presenting during education sessions in 2022.	

Next Meeting: September November 4th, 2021 1:00 PM, Zoom