

## APIC-DFW Business Meeting Minutes

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<b>Facilitator</b>	Teri Mauldin	<b>Date</b>	9/7/2023	<b>Time</b>	1300 - 1500
<b>Location</b>	MS TEAMS	<b>Minutes prepared by</b>	Febi Sammons		

<i>Topic</i>	<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Follow-up</i>
Welcome & Housekeeping	Welcome new members and guests!  Welcome Brian Donahue and Michael Castro	
Education	CE Presentation:  Surgical Skin Antisepsis: Are You Prepped and Ready? Peter Graves, BSN, RN, CNOR  A copy of the presentation will be available on the APIC-DFW website under Resources – Program Reviews.	
Vendor Message	Thank you to our vendors: Kelley Wellbrock (BD); Brian Donahue (Finsen Technologies)	
Old Business	August 2023 Business Meeting – posted on <a href="#">APIC-DFW</a> website.	
New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Remember to share your accomplishments with the chapter through the website form. Communicate → <a href="#">Share your success</a></li> <li>• APIC Conference Highlights/Lessons Learned – Kris Egleston</li> <li>• Voting for 2024 President Elect and Secretary starts today!</li> <li>• Volunteer for APIC-DFW Committee in 2024. Email <a href="mailto:info@apicdfw.org">info@apicdfw.org</a> if you are interested in serving in any of the available positions below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Conference Committee</b> – Chair and members</li> <li>• <b>Nominating Committee</b> – Co-chair and members</li> <li>• <b>Government Affairs Committee (GAC)</b> – Chair</li> <li>• <b>Vendor Liaison</b></li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

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Government Affairs Update	<p>Jasmine Cluck, GAC chair:</p> <ul data-bbox="583 837 1461 870" style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• APIC DFW website: Resources → Government Affairs (<a href="#">website</a>).</li> </ul>																									
Public Health Update	<p>Kelsey Tatum from TX DSHS Region 2/3 provided the following update:</p> <p>The material in this presentation has been prepared by Texas Department of State Health Services – Public Health Region 2/3 and is general background information about the region at the date of this presentation. This information is given in summary for educational purposes only.</p> <p>RSV Update: The CDC released a HAN this week on increased RSV activity in the SE United States, which also details some new prevention tools to protect patients.</p> <p>In the United States, the annual RSV season has historically started in the fall and peaked in winter. In recent weeks, CDC has observed an increase in RSV activity in parts of the Southeastern United States. While the weekly percentage of positive detections reported to NREVSS nationally is below the season onset</p>																									

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	<p>threshold, the numbers out of Florida are reflecting increases in weekly PCR positivity beginning in the week ending July 22, 2023 and the 3-week moving average of PCR positivity has been elevated the past 4 weeks. Georgia has also seen an increase in the rate of RSV-associated hospitalizations. RSV's typical geographic pattern starts in Florida and the southeast before spreading north and west.</p> <p>In anticipation of the new RSV season, the CDC encourages clinicians to prepare to implement new RSV prevention options. Monoclonal antibody products, including a new, long-acting product, nirsevimab, are available to protect infants and some <a href="mailto:emailupdates.cdc.gov">young children at higher risk [t.emailupdates.cdc.gov]</a> for severe RSV disease. For all infants ages &lt;8 months, and infants and children ages 8–19 months who are at <a href="mailto:emailupdates.cdc.gov">increased risk [t.emailupdates.cdc.gov]</a> of severe RSV, clinicians should start to offer nirsevimab when it becomes available (expected by early October).</p> <p>Also, two new vaccines are available to protect older adults from severe RSV disease. For adults ages 60 years and older, clinicians should offer a single dose of an RSV vaccine, based on shared clinical decision-making between the healthcare provider and the patient. Clinicians should also talk to their patients about other vaccines available this fall to help prevent respiratory infections. Clinicians should consider testing symptomatic patients with high-risk conditions for COVID-19, influenza, and RSV to inform treatment decisions. Healthcare personnel and staff at long-term care facilities should stay home and not go to work when they have fever or symptoms of respiratory infection to reduce the spread of respiratory infections including RSV.</p> <p>Legionella update: From January through July 2023, the case counts have been above the 5 year average for this time period. Cases of Legionellosis typically increase in early summer and continue to be elevated into fall. This may be due to factors such as people traveling more and elevated water temperatures given the extremely warm summer we have had thus far.</p>	
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Announcements	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Next Meeting Information:</u></b> November 3, 2023 – <b>via TEAMS only</b> Virtual option available via TEAMS - Register at <a href="#">APIC-DFW Website</a></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		