

## APIC-DFW Business Meeting Minutes

Date: 6/1/2023

<b>Facilitator</b>	Teri Mauldin	<b>Date</b>	6/1/2023	<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!  57 participants today																					
Education	“Unit-Led Just-In-Time Coaching: Part of a Winning Strategy to Improve Hand Hygiene” Presented by Lori Moore, MPH, MSCE, BSN, RN Clinical Educator, GOJO Industries, Inc.																					
Vendor Message	No vendors today																					
Old Business	May 2023 Business Meeting – posted on <a href="#">APIC-DFW</a> website.																					
New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chapter dinner in Orlando June 26th at 8PM at Ciao Italia Ristorante (6149 Westwood Blvd., Orland, FL 32821), near the convention center. RSVP with the address will be emailed out at the beginning of June.</li> <li>Remember to share your accomplishments with the chapter through the website form. Communicate → <a href="#">Share your success</a></li> </ul>																					
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<p>Government Affairs Update</p>	<p>Jasmine Cluck, GAC chair:</p>																									

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>GAC Report posted with a few FDA notices. APIC DFW website: Resources → Government Affairs (<a href="#">website</a>).</li></ul>	
Public Health Update	<p>Sarah Work and David Retana with TX DSHS Region 2/3 provided the following update:</p> <p><b>Fungal Meningitis Update:</b> On May 8, 2023, CDC, the Texas Department of State Health Services, and the Cameron County Health Department were notified through the Emerging Infections Network of two female patients hospitalized in Texas with symptoms consistent with meningitis (e.g., headache, fever, photophobia, stiff neck) that began approximately 2–4 weeks after receiving cosmetic procedures under epidural anesthesia at River Side Surgical Center in the city of Matamoros, Mexico. Two additional female patients hospitalized in Texas developed suspected fungal meningitis 1–8 weeks after undergoing cosmetic procedures under epidural anesthesia at Clinica K-3 in Matamoros, Mexico. CDC, the Texas Department of State Health Services, and the Cameron County Health Department have been investigating additional cases that may be associated with this outbreak.</p> <p>Given the binational collaboration, the Mexican Ministry of Health shared a list of U.S. patients who might be at risk for meningitis based on their recorded surgical procedures at either clinic. After investigation, it was found that an overall total of 220 people in the US are known to have potential exposure.</p> <p>The CDC has started a webpage with the most up to date information, including case counts.</p> <p>Nationwide, there are 195 persons under investigation. Currently, there no confirmed cases as a confirmed case is defined as detecting a fungus in a CSF or tissue specimen. However, there have been 11 probable cases where a spinal tap suggests meningitis but fungus was not identified, and 14 suspected cases meaning symptoms are consistent with meningitis but spinal tap results are pending or unknown. So far, 2 individuals have died.</p> <p>Presenting symptoms of probable and suspected cases included fever and new or worsening headache and can initially be mild. The causative organism or organisms is</p>	

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	<p>currently unknown for this outbreak, as multiple pathogens can cause healthcare-associated fungal meningitis, and infections may involve multiple pathogens at once.</p> <p>CDC is currently advising all members of the public cancel any elective procedure that involves an epidural injection of an anesthetic in Matamoros, Mexico—and any travel associated with such a procedure—until there is evidence that there is no longer a risk for infection at these clinics.</p> <p>If you have questions about this outbreak, including seeking a treatment consultation, please reach out to <a href="mailto:HAIOutbreaks@dshs.texas.gov">HAIOutbreaks@dshs.texas.gov</a>.</p> <p><b>Links:</b> CDC Suspected Fungal Meningitis Outbreak page <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/hai/outbreaks/meningitis-epidural-anesthesia.html">https://www.cdc.gov/hai/outbreaks/meningitis-epidural-anesthesia.html</a></p> <p>HAN May 17 2023 <a href="https://emergency.cdc.gov/han/2023/han00491.asp">https://emergency.cdc.gov/han/2023/han00491.asp</a></p> <p>Interim Guidance for Diagnosis and Management of Cases of Suspected Fungal Meningitis Associated with Epidural Anesthesia Administered in Matamoros, Mexico <a href="https://funguseducationhub.org/interim-guidance-matamoros-fm-outbreak-5_20_23/">https://funguseducationhub.org/interim-guidance-matamoros-fm-outbreak-5_20_23/</a></p> <p><b>Mpox Update:</b> With Pride Month here, we wanted to provide some friendly reminders and updates about Mpox. Per the CDC, at this time, data suggest that gay, bisexual and other men who have sex with men make up the majority of the cases in the current Mpox outbreak. However, anyone, regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity, who has been in close, personal contact with someone who has Mpox is at risk.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• As of May 24<sup>th</sup>, the CDC reports that in the US, the 2022 Mpox outbreak (which started on May 2022) totals:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 30,422 cases</li><li>• 42 deaths</li><li>• <a href="#">2022 U.S. Map &amp; Case Count   Mpox   Poxvirus   CDC</a></li></ul></li><li>▪ CDC reports Texas with 3,008 cases</li></ul>	
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Announcements	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Next Meeting Information: (NO JULY MEETING)</u></b> August 3, 2023 – <b>IN PERSON MEETING</b> UNT Health Science Center Medical Education &amp; Training (MET) Building 109 - 111 3500 Camp Bowie Blvd., Fort Worth, TX 76107 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	Meeting adjourned at 2:25 PM	