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A background image showing two healthcare workers in a clinical setting, wearing blue surgical caps and white face masks. The image is overlaid with a large, semi-transparent white circle containing the title text. The overall color scheme is teal and white.

Foundations of Infection Prevention and Control

For further course information,
please visit www.acipc.org.au

For any questions or to register for the program,
please contact admin@acipc.org.au

The ACIPC Foundations of Infection Prevention and Control Course provides individuals with the foundations to apply a body of knowledge in a range of contexts to undertake professional or highly skilled work. The course is a pathway for further learning and is a key component to achieving the ACIPC Primary Credential (CICP-P).

Target Audience:

Health and allied health care professionals:

- Metropolitan and rural healthcare facilities
- Remote and community locations
- Office-based practice
- Residential aged care
- Mental health
- Drug and alcohol
- Health policy
- Veterinary practice
- NGOs
- Tattooist
- Beauty Therapist

Program Learning Outcomes

The learning outcomes for this course are aligned with AQF level 8.

Course Structure

The course runs over 21 weeks and consists of 11 self-directed learning modules that are supported through a structured online program. Each module and its activities will take approximately 8–10 hours to complete.

Cost and Assessment

Please visit the ACIPC website for further information.

Module content

1

Introductory concepts in infection prevention and control: Microbiology and the role of the laboratory, immunology.

2

Exploring the concepts and science of HAI prevention: Hand hygiene, standard and transmission-based precautions.

3

Surveillance and epidemiology: Concepts and application

4

Cleaning, decontamination and sterilisation: Environmental hygiene & management of reusable devices.

5

Outbreak Management: Communicable Disease notifications.

6

Multi-resistant organisms: Antimicrobial stewardship

7

Aseptic technique and invasive devices: Management and evaluation.

8

International and Australian oversight of infection prevention and control strategies: Clinical governance - responding to standards and guidance.

9

Theories of leadership and motivation: Professional issues.

10

Employee Health: Vaccination, sharps safety, pregnancy. Blood and body fluid exposure response and management.

11

Practice specific settings: Aged Care, haemodialysis, invasive procedure settings.