



ACIPC Community of Practice

Infection Prevention and control Program



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ACIPC acknowledges Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island people as the traditional owners of country throughout Australia and ngā iwi Māori as the people of the land of Aotearoa and respects their continuing connection to culture, land, waterways, community, and family.

Let's get chatting



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Aged Care



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We learnt during the COVID 19 Pandemic that IPC needs to be tailored to the setting in which it is being implemented – ‘you can't fit a square peg in a round hole’.

Aged care (residential and home care) IPC implementation differs to other sectors.

Aged care needs its own IPC pathways, an understanding of the sector and its own space.

Aged Care this is your space!



Aged Care Community of Practice



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- A group of people who share a common concern, a set of problems, or an interest in a topic and who come together to fulfil both individual and group goals.
- Focused on sharing best practices and creating new knowledge to advance a domain of professional practice. Interaction important part of this.



Communications



With so many amazing people on one webinar we have to quieten everyone's microphones – but we still want to hear you.

The chat function is open and being monitored– put your queries and comments here and we will refer to these in the session.



IPC Program and Plan



How do you see the wood for the trees!

Breaking Down Governance!

- Aged Care Quality Standards – 1, 3, 5, 8
- National, state/territory IPC guidelines, specific guidelines (outbreak, organism, AMS)
- Organisation IPC Program – IPC Program Plan – IPC Action Plan
- Organisation polices/processes



Guest speaker - Sarah Gaines Hill



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An RN for over 35 years. Sarah trained in the UK then moved to USA in 1989.

Predominantly worked in the acute care sector in California including 15 years in NICU, and the last 14 years in IPC. Past 4yrs General Manager Infection Prevention and Control at Blue Cross Care in Victoria.

Sarah has facilitated many projects within the acute and aged care sector for reducing healthcare-associated infections. She has presented her works and been published nationally and internationally.

Sarah is a member of ACIPC and the Association for Professionals in Infection Prevention and Control (APIC).



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Templates and Tools



- IPC Program – the difference to an annual IPC Program Plan
- Risk and annual IPC Program Plan– may be an annual plan
- Day to day IPC action plan – breaking the actions down
- IPC communications pathway – an escalation process
- **All webinar resources will be placed on the Aged Care Resource web page**

Winding up – but not down



For further discussions or questions, please jump onto the ACIPC website Aged Care Infection Connexion and add a post.

The forum is moderated and a safe place for aged care communications.

<https://www.acipc.org.au/members/aged-care-connexion/>

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MEMBERS ONLY

Aged Care Connexion Discussion Group

Aged Care Connexion Discussion Group is a new web-based forum allowing members working in aged care to participate in a community of practice with colleagues in aged care and in the broader IPC community.

ACIPC Aged Care Community of Practice -Webinar Series



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Next session: 12 MD

Wednesday 12 June 2024

Getting Gloving Great

This session addresses areas of concern/risk arising from gloving use in aged care. We look at gloving across all areas of the facility – catering, cleaning, care, laundry, maintenance. Example process documents for all areas will be shared. Tips for teams to use gloves correctly and marry hand hygiene with glove donning and doffing. Example process documents for all areas will be shared. The floor is open for comments, input and sharing ideas and concerns.



View: <https://www.acipc.org.au/acipc-aged-care-community-of-practice-webinar-series/>

Thank you and see you next time



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Thank you, everyone for attending today – this community is invaluable

Thank you, Sarah for a wonderful presentation and sharing your wealth of knowledge

Thank you, Amanda behind the scenes – what would we do without you

See you next time - in our space!





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