Program Agenda

7:00-8:00  Registration/Vendor Exhibits
8:00-8:15  Welcome
8:15-9:30  “How to Use Quick Observation Tools for Infection Prevention Survey Readiness”
           Pam Webb, RN, MPH, CIC
           Infection Preventionist - PW Consulting
9:30-10:15 Vendor Exhibits/Break
10:15-11:30 “Healthcare Laundry and Textiles: Commentary on Contemporary Infection Prevention Issues 2.0”
            Lynne Sehulster, PhD, MS, (ASCP), CMIP (AHE)
11:30-12:45 Lunch (provided)/Vendor Exhibits
12:45-2:00  “Update MRSA Risk Mitigation Programs and Help Reduce Transmission and MRSA/MSSA Infection Risks”
            Angela Miranda, MS, MT
2:00-2:30  Break & Refreshments
2:30-3:45  “Overview of Infectious Diseases in Oklahoma”
            Laurence Burnsed, MPH, Oklahoma State Department of Health Prevention & Preparedness Services
3:45     Closing Remarks/Door Prizes

See Reverse for Speaker Information

Location / Date

The conference will be held at the Embassy Suites Hotel & Conference Center at 2501 Conference Dr. Norman, OK, on Friday, November 8, 2019. Embassy Suites Hotel rooms are available at $135.00—$155.00 (plus tax) per night. Group rates are good until October 17th, 2019. You may call the reservations line (1-866-577-1273) or book online through Embassy Suites website, www.hilton.com or https://embassysuites3.hilton.com/en/index.html using the group code “EPI.”

Membership

Become an EPIC member and have access to the EPIC website, www.epicokla.com. Website access provides membership contacts, vendor contacts, monthly educational presentations, resources, and more. Membership is $25 for the calendar year. When attending the conference, it is included in the conference fee. If unable to attend the conference, please visit our website or contact Amy Neighbors, Membership Chair at Amy.Neighbors@smhealth.com

About EPIC

The Epidemiologists and Preventionists in Infection Control (EPIC) organization exists to:

- Provide a collective voice for Epidemiologists and Preventionists in Infection Control for infection prevention and control issues related to improving and maintaining quality patient care.
- Advance and advocate infection prevention and control standards in Oklahoma for the purpose of improving and maintaining quality patient care.
- Promote and foster networking and educational endeavors for all disciplines with common interests in infection prevention and control activities.
- Advance and advocate infection prevention and control standards for the purpose of maintaining and promoting patient safety.

Conference Activities

Saddle Up and Ride on Over to the Infection Prevention Round-up
Wear your jeans, boots and western wear as we “Lasso-up” Infections in OKLAHOMA
A BBQ Themed Lunch
Will be provided

Exhibit Room

Visit the Exhibit Ballroom with over 20 companies showcasing their latest products and technology. Visit each vendor booth for a signature and be entered for a door prize.

Door Prizes

Drawings for door prizes will be held during breaks. To enter, visit the exhibit hall with your vendor check off card and gather signatures. Once filled, turn into the designated box. Then listen for your chance to win!
Pam Webb, RN, MPH, CIC

Pam Webb, RN, MPH, CIC, is an independent consultant with expertise in infection prevention (IP) and quality improvement. She has 27 years infection prevention experience in a variety of healthcare settings including managing the IP program at one of the largest acute care facilities in Montana (23 years), and most recently consulting for critical access, long term care, dialysis, hospice and home health care facilities. As a consultant, Pam orient s new IPs, develops facility infection prevention programs, provides NHSN HAI data training and validation, conducts facility IP program assessments and IP training workshops. Pam is a co-founder and active member of the APIC Montana Chapter. Pam has participated in many national and statewide collaborative improvement projects, most recently as a team member developing and implementing the CDC/APIC Quick Observation Tools. She has presented to local, state and national conferences on a variety of infection prevention topics. Pam has a passion for infection prevention and enjoys mentoring new IPs.

Angela Miranda, MS, MT

Angela Miranda holds a master’s degree in Epidemiology and Preventive Medicine. She has worked as a Microbiologist at Johns Hopkins Hospital and Cleveland Clinic. While at INOVA Fairfax Hospital, Angela also managed infection prevention. A lifelong educator and an MRSA survivor, Angela is passionate about helping facilities reduce the risks of infection. She now travels across the country as a speaker, educator and consultant delivering strategies to help prevent transmission of Staphylococcus aureus. Her dedication is helping current practitioners understand the trends and new ideas that are shaping the future of infection prevention. Angela’s unique experience is helping institutions bring innovative technologies from the lab to the patient’s bedside.

Speakers

Lynne Schulster, PhD, MS, (M/ASC)

Lynne Schulster is currently a Health Scientist providing consultation as the single member proprietor of Environmental Infection Prevention, LLC. She retired from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in 2017 after a career spanning 20 ½ years. While there she worked as a Health Scientist in the Division of Healthcare Quality Promotion (DHQP) within the National Center for Emerging and Zoonotic Infectious Diseases (NCEZID). Prior to her coming to CDC, she served as an infectious disease epidemiologist for 15 ½ years at the Texas Department of Health (currently known as the Texas Department of State Health Services). Her areas of expertise include environmental infection control, microbial inactivation, and transmission of infectious diseases. She has advised CDC and other federal and state health agencies, healthcare professionals, and the public on issues concerning environmental cleaning, sterilization and disinfection, healthcare-built environment and construction, healthcare laundry issues, prion disease epidemiology, and environmental management of emerging diseases. She coordinated and contributed to the CDC/HICPAC “Guidelines for Environmental Infection Control in Health-Care Facilities” that was released in 2003 and has assisted federal colleagues and other entities in the development of their infection prevention guidelines.

Laurence Burnsed, MPH

Laurence Burnsed is the State Epidemiologist and Deputy Commissioner of Prevention & Preparedness Services for the Oklahoma State Department of Health. Responsibilities include administrative and epidemiological guidance of services responsible for the surveillance, investigation, and control of infectious diseases; response to disease outbreak events; injury surveillance and prevention program activities; immunization services; and involvement of all-hazards preparedness and response efforts. Mr. Burnsed earned his Master of Public Health degree in Epidemiology from Florida A&M University and is currently enrolled in the University of Oklahoma’s Professional Master of Business Administration program.

Fee Schedule

Conference fee $125.00 (includes EPIC membership). To guarantee seating, the registration fee for the conference and luncheon must be received prior to October 17, 2019.

Payment may be made by check, money order, purchase order, or PayPal via the website at www.epicoxal.com

Group discounts are available for organizations registering 3 or more attendees. PayPal is not available for group discounts. Please contact Keli Myers-Belding (405.577.5300, Keli.Myers-Belding@intergirok.com) for more information.

In the event you are unable to attend, registration transfers accepted. There will be no refunds.

How to Register

CHECK, MONEY ORDER, PURCHASE ORDER OR PAYPAL VIA WEBSITE WWW.EPICOXAL.COM

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