

# Hospital Associated Infection Surveillance: Tools and Strategies

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**The prevention and control of health care associated infections has become a priority. Surveillance and monitoring of these infections is key to their control - we need to be able to consistently and accurately measure them if we are to assess progress in their control.**

**Maintaining successful features of standard systems, adopting alternate surveillance approaches, taking advantage of new technologies, and translating surveillance data into relevant information for the front line staff will make health care infection surveillance a more effective tool for prevention.**

At this conference, participants will gain further knowledge on topics such as best practices for surveillance of health care associated infections in patient and resident populations, the Antimicrobial Stewardship Program, a partnership program with Public Health Ontario (PHO) and the Ontario Hospital Association (OHA), and how to most effectively use resources.

## **Target Audience**

This conference targets health care professionals in the areas of Infection Control, Public Health, Epidemiology, Research, RICNs and Long-Term Care, including CEOs, Senior Administrators, Occupational Health and Safety personnel, Hospital Planners, Nurses, Educators, Human Resources personnel, frontline staff, Environmental Services Managers and employees of CCACs.

## **Archived Webcast**

For those unable to attend the conference in person, the OHA will be capturing the complete proceedings (slides and video) for purchase following the conference. The cost to purchase access to the archive is \$499. This will provide unlimited access to the program for a minimum of six months.

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For more information on the webcast, contact Candace Simas at [csimas@oha.com](mailto:csimas@oha.com).

# Agenda

**8:30 am**

**Registration and Continental Breakfast**

**9:00 am**

**Welcoming Remarks**

**Chair: Inez Landry**

*Director, Infection Prevention & Control, Occupational Health and Safety*

*Queensway Carleton Hospital*

*Past Chair*

*Infection Control Ontario*

**9:05 am**

**Introduction to Provincial Infectious Diseases Advisory Committee (PIDAC): Best Practices for Surveillance of Health Care Associated Infections in Patient and Resident Populations**

At the end of this session you will be able to:

- Understand the impact of health care acquired infections.
- Describe the step by step process for establishing a surveillance program in a health care setting.
- Identify the most common types of infections measured in health care surveillance.

**Sandra Callery**

*Chair, PIDAC Surveillance Committee*

*Director, Infection Prevention & Control  
Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre*

**9:35 am**

**Case Study and Outbreak Detection of Respiratory and Gastrointestinal Infection Surveillance**

**Dr. Allison McGeer**

*Director, Infection Control*

*Mount Sinai Hospital*

**10:20 am**

**Networking Break**

**10:35 am**

**Antimicrobial Stewardship Program**

**Dr. Doug Sider**

*Acting Director, Infectious Disease Prevention and Control  
Public Health Ontario*

**11:20 am**

**Case Study: Antibiotic Resistant Organisms Surveillance (i.e. ARO, MRSA)**

**Dr. Allison McGeer**

**12:00 pm**

**Lunch**

**1:00 pm**

**The Dirt on Surveillance in Construction and Renovation**

- The impact of the built design on healthcare associated infections

- Environmental pathogens - a look at how they impact construction projects: past and present

- Conducting Surveillance: The five W's and How

**Barbara Shea**

*Infection Prevention and Control Consultant*

*Public Health Ontario, Regional Infection Control Network – Central East*

**1:45 pm**

**Clostridium difficile Infection (CDI) Surveillance in the Era of Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) Testing**

- Planning and performing PCR testing for *Clostridium difficile*
- PCR testing considerations for *Clostridium difficile* surveillance
- Understanding PCR testing for *Clostridium difficile* and interpretation of results in a clinical setting

- Challenges and benefits of PCR testing - one hospital's experience

**Dr. Mary Vearncombe**

*Medical Director, Infection, Prevention & Control  
Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre*

**Dr. Susan M. Poutanen**

*Microbiologist & Infectious Disease Physician*

*University Health Network & Mount Sinai Hospital*

*Assistant Professor, Departments of Laboratory Medicine and Pathobiology & Medicine  
University of Toronto*

**2:45 pm**

**Networking Break**

**3:00 pm**

**Case Study: Antibiotic Resistant Organisms Surveillance (i.e. NDM-1)**

**Dr. Mary Vearncombe**

**3:30 pm**

**Protecting Your Best Resource: Preventing Occupational Infections**

This presentation will:

- Provide an overview of the Ministry of Labour's strategies to promote safe workplaces in the province
- Emphasize key features of the occupational health and safety legislation protecting workers from infections
- Highlight issues related to infection prevention and control that are assessed during an inspection
- Provide information regarding the Ministry's enhanced enforcement activities

**Craig Lawrie**

*Infection Control Consultant, Eastern and Central Regions  
Ontario Ministry of Labour*

**4:15 pm**

**Wrap up and Adjournment**

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