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Lunch and Learn:

Influenza - Does prevention really matter?

Presented by Anne Winter & Jill Fediurek

January 19, 2012

12:00pm to 1:15pm EST



Influenza - Does prevention really matter?

Topics:

- Influenza – Does prevention really matter?
- Surveillance of influenza: What is circulating and where
- How the World Health Organization selects seasonal vaccines
- What does influenza-like illness really mean?
- Impact of influenza (deaths, hospitalization, outbreaks), including in healthy adults
- Influenza vaccine types, target groups for each vaccine
- Adverse events following immunization – myths and misconceptions
- Individual and population-based benefits of the vaccine
- Herd immunity
- Health Care Workers immunization trends
- Findings from the Canadian multi-provincial Vaccine Effectiveness study

Audience:

Infection Control Professionals, Health Care Professionals in Acute, Long-term, and Community Care, Occupational Health and Safety, and Public Health Professionals.

Presenters:

Anne Winter:

Anne Winter is a registered nurse who received her nursing diploma from George Brown College and her degree from York University; Anne worked in critical care for nearly 20 years. She obtained her Master's degree in Community Health and Epidemiology in 2001 from the University of Toronto, entered the world of public health and worked as a nurse epidemiologist and a Senior Infection Control Consultant at the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care until 2009. She is currently a senior epidemiologist at Public Health Ontario. Anne also has certification in infection control from the Certification Board of Infection Control and Epidemiology. Her interests include respiratory virus surveillance and influenza immunization in health care workers and she is an active member of the Respiratory Team at Public Health Ontario.

Jill Fediurek:

Jill Fediurek is the Manager, Immunization and Vaccine Preventable Diseases (VPDs) in Surveillance & Epidemiology at Public Health Ontario. She is responsible for providing leadership for the planning, development and management of sound, innovative initiatives in the field of VPD control and immunization, including the provision of scientific and technical advice related to immunization and VPD programs. She is a registered nurse with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from the University of Toronto and a Master's of Public Health from Lakehead University.

Prior to joining PHO in July 2011, she was the Program Manager for the Infectious Diseases Program area including Infectious Diseases Prevention and Control and Vaccine Preventable Diseases at the Brant County Health Unit since 2003.

Previous to this, her professional experience includes staff, educational and management positions in acute care and community home health. She also has her (CNA) certification in Community Health Nursing.

Modality:

Videoconference/ Webcast (live and archived)

Registration:

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If you have submissions, or questions or comments about the items above, send them to Brandy Kirchen at brandy.kirchen@oahpp.ca

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If you do not have access to videoconference equipment and would like to participate at another site in your area, please contact Brandy Kirchen by e-mail brandy.kirchen@oahpp.ca or phone 807-683-1755.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS January 16, 2011

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