

Dear Colleagues,

Similar to last year, Public Health Ontario is collaborating with the IPAC-Central South Ontario (CSO) chapter to facilitate a Certification in Infection Control (CIC) exam Preparation Series this summer.

How to Learn More:

If you are interested in learning more about this initiative, we are holding a **Community of Practice (CoP) on June 6 from 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM**. This session will allow those who are interested in preparing for the CIC examination to learn more about the prep series initiative and the certification process (eligibility, exam structure etc.). You are encouraged to bring your questions about the initiative to this CoP. This session will be offered in-person at the Cambridge office and via webinar. Please let us know if you will be attending in-person. You do not need to attend this session to register for the CIC Prep series (see below for details).

How to connect to the CIC Exam CoP webinar:

1. Please dial in to the teleconference (5-10 minutes prior to start time) at **1-866-261-6767** and enter participant code: **4889444#**

2. Next, please log in to the webinar using your full name at:
http://pho.adobeconnect.com/cic_cop_cw_2019/

CIC Exam Preparation Study Group Series:

- The series will be offered **in-person** at our office in Cambridge and **by webinar** from **2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.**
- Sessions will be held bi-weekly, **beginning on July 3, 2019 and ending on September 11, 2019.**
- A slide deck of key concepts and additional resources/references will be circulated **two weeks in advance** of each session. Participants will be expected to review the content in advance of each session and come prepared to discuss practice questions based on the these topics. Any questions regarding the content can be sent to IPAC Central West ahead of time at IPACCentralWest@oahpp.ca and will be discussed/reviewed during the session. Additional information for each topic will be presented and discussed during each session.
- **No didactic education** will be provided at the sessions. Each webinar session will begin with review of any discussion questions submitted by group members in advance of the session, followed by a review of key concepts and CIC exam related practice questions.

- See below for the schedule.

How to join the Study Group Series:

If you are interested in participating in the CIC Study Group, please email IPACCentralWest@oahpp.ca by **June 19, 2019**.

Proposed Schedule

Dates	Content
Session 1 Wednesday, July 3, 2019 2:00pm-4:00pm	Education and Research Environment of Care Practice questions Facilitator: Kasey Gambeta
Session 2 Wednesday July 17, 2019 2:00pm-4:00pm	Identification of Infectious Diseases Processes Practice questions Facilitator: TBD
Session 3 Wednesday, July 31, 2019 2:00pm-4:00pm	Surveillance and Epidemiologic Investigation Practice questions Facilitator: Katherine Paphitis
Session 4 Wednesday August 14, 2019 2:00pm-4:00pm	Preventing/Controlling the Transmission of Infectious Agents Practice questions Facilitator: Kevin Stinson
Session 5 Wednesday, August 28, 2019 2:00pm-4:00pm	Employee/Occupational Health Management and Communication (Leadership) Practice questions Facilitator: Arpita Bhattacharya
Session 6 Wednesday, September 11, 2018 2:00pm-4:00pm	Cleaning, Sterilization, Disinfection, Asepsis Practice questions Facilitator: Fida Khan

If you have any questions, please contact ipaccentralwest@oahpp.ca or 1-866-276-6995.

Sincerely,

IPAC Central South Ontario Chapter