

December 1, 2015

MEMORANDUM TO IPAC CANADA MEMBERS

RE ELECTIONS TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Nominating Committee of the Board of Directors of IPAC Canada is charged with the responsibility of ensuring continuity by nominating a slate of officers for positions open in 2015 (Policy 12.10). These are nominations only. **Additionally, nominations for any of the available board positions are welcomed from members of IPAC Canada.** Serving on the board of IPAC Canada is an excellent way to participate at the national level. This offers the opportunity to meet a wide range of IPAC Canada members, network with allied professional groups, and work with other motivated and experienced Board members.

Timelines for Election of Officers and Directors:

December 1, 2015 – Announcement of the Nominating Committee slate of Directors
 February 12, 2016 – Deadline for additional nominations from membership
 February 26, 2016 – Announcement of final slate of candidates for election at 2016 AGM.
 May 18, 2016 – Elections to be held at the Annual General Membership Meeting, Niagara Falls
 May 18, 2016 – Newly elected and returning Board Orientation, Niagara Falls

The Nominating Committee of the Board of Directors of Infection Prevention and Control Canada (IPAC Canada) has put forth the following candidates for positions open as of May 18, 2016.

Director (3 year term) (Programs and Projects)	Mandy Deeves BScN RN CIC Network Coordinator, Public Health Ontario North Simcoe Muskoka Infection Control Network Orillia, Ontario
Director (3 year term) (Standards & Guidelines)	Tara Donovan BHSc MSc Epidemiologist Fraser Health Surrey, British Columbia
Public Representative (3 year term)	See below.

CANDIDATE PROFILES



MANDY DEEVES BScN RN CIC is nominated for her second term as a Director of IPAC Canada with responsibilities for Programs & Projects. Mandy is Network Coordinator, Public Health Ontario - North Simcoe Muskoka Infection Control Network, Orillia, Ontario. She has been in Infection Prevention and Control for nine years and has been an IPAC Canada member during that time. Her role at the Network is to provide a specialized range of evidence-based, educational and consultative services to Infection Prevention and Control staff, management and front-line healthcare providers in regional and provincial stakeholder organizations. Mandy was instrumental in the formation of IPAC Simcoe Muskoka chapter and has served as its President. Her responsibilities as a Director of IPAC Canada have included oversight of the Programs and Projects Committee and she has served as Chair of the Programs and Projects Core Committee.



TARA DONOVAN BHSc MSc completed an MSc in Community Health and Epidemiology in 2007 at Queen's University in Kingston Ontario. Motivated by her interest and a desire to continue learning, Tara completed a Certificate in Infection Control at Queen's University. She began her career as the Communicable Disease Epidemiologist with the Kingston, Frontenac, Lennox and Addington Public Health Unit and particularly focused on the monitoring and evaluation of a real-time syndromic surveillance system. In 2009, Tara accepted a contract position and moved across the country to work with the Immunization Program at the BC Centre for Disease Control as a Vaccine-Preventable Disease Epidemiologist. Following the contract term, Tara joined Fraser Health Authority in 2010 as the Regional Epidemiologist for Infection Prevention and Control. Her primary role was to lead, direct and provide

expertise in the development, implementation, maintenance and ongoing evaluation of a Regional Infection Prevention and Control Surveillance Program. Tara has recently taken a Managing Consultant position with the Fraser Health IPAC program and will continue to collaborate with team members and stakeholders to enhance and maintain surveillance initiatives as well as pursue other important projects to drive quality improvement and patient safety. Tara co-chaired the Surveillance and Applied Epidemiology Interest Group in 2012 and 2013. She is actively involved with the IPAC BC Chapter having served as Treasurer and then President for three years respectively. Tara has provided both poster and oral presentations at the IPAC Canada National Conferences in recent years and has been the Module 4 instructor for the IPAC Canada Novice Infection Prevention and Control course since 2012.

PUBLIC REPRESENTATIVE (3 year term)

IPAC Canada requires a Public Representative to serve on its Board of Directors. Public Representatives are not associated with healthcare in a professional capacity and may include individuals who are serving on a voluntary basis on the Board of a healthcare institution. A Public Representative will be chosen for their awareness and knowledge about patient safety or other healthcare issues, and their ability to bring a public perspective, not as representatives or advocates of the organizations with which they may be affiliated. The Public Representative position will provide broader perspectives and a different lens to discussions and actions of the Board of Directors and IPAC Canada.

A Public Representative will be selected according to one or more of the following criteria:

- Is not associated with healthcare in a professional capacity;
- Demonstrated commitment to volunteerism and knowledge of health-related issues;
- Previous experience as a Board Director;
- Absence of a current professional or financial interest in either the delivery or sale of products or related to patient safety;
- Candidate diversity.

For additional information, see policy 2.11.

Additional nominations from the membership of IPAC Canada will be accepted until **February 12, 2016**. Position descriptions (Section 2 Board of Directors, Policy) and nomination forms (Form 3 and 3C) may be obtained from the Membership Services Office (info@ipac-canada.org) or are available in the Members Area of the IPAC Canada website (Policies and Forms).

Signatures of two active members are required for each nomination. Send completed nomination forms to:

Marilyn Weinmaster, IPAC Canada Secretary
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Deadline for nominations: February 12, 2016