

Subject line: Survey of ICPs in Western Canada

The rise of antibiotic-resistant infections in health care settings is of growing interest to Canadian Infection Control Professionals (ICPs) and researchers. We are conducting a survey of ICPs in Western Canada and would like to invite you to participate in this study. This survey consists of questions regarding infection rates and infection control practices in your healthcare setting.

We encourage participants from acute care facilities, long-term care facilities, community care facilities, and home care programmes to participate. We also request that you to forward this invitation to participate in this study to any ICPs in Alberta, British Columbia, Saskatchewan or Manitoba who may not be CHICA-Canada members.

This survey will take an estimated 60 minutes to complete and does not have to be completed in one session. You may require additional time to obtain infection rate information if you do not have these statistics on hand. You may access the survey at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/infectioncontrolsurvey>. The survey will close on January 15, 2011.

You will not be asked to name the facility where you work. Nevertheless, please ensure that you have your manager's approval before completing this survey.

This research has been approved by the Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region (RQHR) Research Ethics Board (REB #10-63). If you have any questions about your rights as a research participant and/or your experiences while participating in this study, contact Dr. Elan Paluck, Chair of the RQHR Research Ethics Board, at (306) 766-5451.

Thank you to CHICA-Canada for agreeing to send this email to its members on our behalf.

Sincerely,

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