

December 22, 2014

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). Additionally, nominations for 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.

Because of changes to election laws as prescribed in the current by-laws, the procedure for election of Directors and Officers has changed. Please also note that, because of by-law changes to terms of office, the current President will hold office until the 2015 AGM and the current President-elect will become President at the 2015 AGM. The election for a President-elect will take place every two years, starting in 2015.

Timelines for Election of Officers and Directors:

December 22, 2014 – Announcement of the Nominating Committee slate of Directors
February 13, 2015 – Deadline for additional nominations from membership
February 26, 2015 – Announcement of final slate of candidates for election at 2015 AGM.
June 17, 2015 – Elections to be held at the Annual General Membership Meeting, Victoria.
June 17, 2015 – Newly elected Board Orientation, Victoria

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 June 17, 2015.

President-elect (2 year term) followed by 2 year term as President

Molly Blake BN MHS GNC(C) CIC
Winnipeg MB

Treasurer (3 year term)

Michael Rotstein RN BScN MHSc CIC CHE
Richmond Hill ON

Director (MD background) (3 year term)

Camille Lemieux BScPhm MD LLB
Toronto ON

Additional nomination received from membership:
Mary Vearncombe MD FRCPC
Toronto ON

CANDIDATE PROFILES



MOLLY BLAKE BN MHS GNC(C) CIC has been an Infection Control Professional for almost 15 years, and is currently the Program Director, Infection Prevention and Control, Winnipeg Regional Health Authority. In her professional position, Molly's responsibilities include lead planning, implementation and evaluation of the WRHA Regional infection prevention and control Program. She has served on many working and interest groups at the local, provincial, national, and international level. She has been an IPAC Canada member (local chapter – Manitoba) for as long as she has been an ICP, and has been involved for several years in IPAC Canada activities through the Conference Planning Committee and Interest Groups (e.g., Dialysis Interest Group). Molly undertook her undergraduate nursing training and received her Bachelor of Nursing at the University of Manitoba. She completed a Masters of Health Studies from Athabasca University. She received initial certification through the Certification Board of Infection Control and Epidemiology, Inc. in 2008 (and

recertified in 2013).



MICHAEL ROTSTEIN RN BScN MHSc CIC CHE completed his Nursing diploma and his post-RN degree at Ryerson and began his SickKids career of almost 14 years on a medicine unit as a staff nurse and Clinical Support Nurse. He also worked in the emergency department, ambulatory diabetes program, and as a clinical response nurse. He was then elected to the position of Chair of the Registered Nurses' Council. In that role he was an active representative on many committees and task forces, while developing and leading many program initiatives. During his tenure in this role, he implemented the "80/20" model of nursing governance, facilitated the roll-out of a large benefit program change, developed a two-day leadership workshop for front-line nurses, and implemented the Nursing Wear program within the hospital. In 2009 he became an Infection Control Practitioner (ICP) with primary responsibility for the Emergency Department, the Paediatric Intensive Care Unit, the Heart Centre, as well as several ambulatory and patient support areas.

He was also responsible for consulting on all construction and renovation projects in the hospital. Michael completed his Master of Health Science, Administration Program at the University of Toronto in June 2013 and at the same time became a Certified Health Executive with the Canadian College of Health Leaders. Michael took on a challenging new role as manager of the IPAC program at Mackenzie Health in May 2013. While still new to the role, he is always looking for new opportunities to link and network with colleagues across the city and country.



CAMILLE LEMIEUX BScPhm MD LLB has been with the University Health Network Infection Prevention and Control team since 2006. She completed her pharmacy training at the University of Toronto, law school at the University of Ottawa, medical school at Queen's University, and most recently her Master of Public Health at the Dalla Lana School of Public Health. In addition to practicing both medicine and law, she worked at the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care in the aftermath of SARS. Currently she works as associate director of infection prevention and control at UHN and is a partner at the Toronto Western Hospital Family Health Team. Camille chaired the Public Health Ontario Provincial Antimicrobial Stewardship Advisory Committee from 2010 to 2013. She has carried out infection control programmatic reviews for various hospitals across Canada. She has also been a consultant to hospitals on *C. difficile* and MRSA outbreaks. Currently, she is physician consultant to 3 Ontario hospitals in addition to the University Health Network.



MARY VEARNCOMBE MD FRCPC is Medical Director, Infection Prevention and Control, at Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre, Toronto. In addition, she is Associate Professor, Department of Laboratory Medicine and Pathobiology, Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto. Prominent committee appointments include Chair, Infection Prevention and Control Sub-Committee (PIDAC); Chair, Infection Prevention and Control Guidelines for Pandemic Influenza (Health Canada); and the Expert Advisory Group for Infection Prevention and Control for Pandemic H1N1 Influenza (Public Health Agency of Canada). She has been honoured with many awards of distinction, including being the first recipient of the IPAC Canada (former CHICA Canada) Champion of Infection Prevention and Control (2010) and an Award of Merit in both 2006 and 2011.

Additional nominations from the membership of IPAC Canada will be accepted until **February 13, 2015**. Position descriptions (Section 2 Board of Directors, Policy) and nomination forms (Forms 3 and 4) may be obtained from the Membership Services Office (info@ipac-canada.org).

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

Marilyn Weinmaster, IPAC Canada Secretary

Email: info@ipac-canada.org

Fax: 1-204-895-9595

Deadline for nominations: February 13, 2015