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Serious Communicable Diseases Program (SCDP)
Project ECHO Program
IPC for HCIDs - Fundamentals, Challenges & Opportunities
Thursday, March 27, 2025
11 AM – 12 PM (ET)

Facilitator/Director: *Gavin Harris, MD – Assistant Professor of Medicine and the Serious Communicable Diseases Program (SCDP) Director of Education and Outreach, Emory University School of Medicine, Divisions of Pulmonary, Allergy, Critical Care, and Sleep Medicine & Infectious Diseases*

Expert Panelists:

- Anna Yaffee, MD, MPH - Associate Professor, Emory University School of Medicine, Department of Emergency Medicine; Emergency Medicine liaison to the Emory Serious Communicable Diseases Unit
- Kari Love, RN, MS, CIC, FAPIC - Corporate Director of Infection Prevention, Emory Healthcare.

Target Audience:

- Anyone interfacing with patients or responsible for patient/community health, including physicians, nurses, EMTs, paramedics, pharmacists, hospital administrators, public health officials, etc., are welcome to attend.

Session Objectives:

- Discuss and apply the identify, isolate, and inform algorithm through scenario-based facilitated discussion of patients presenting with potential HCIDs
- Obtain and understanding of fundamental infection prevention and control measures and evaluate their applicability and utility in various settings
- Understand how different HCIDs may require different infection prevention and control measures, especially during medical procedures

Connection Details:

11:00 -11:05	Welcome, Intros, Polls	Harris
11:05 -11:10	Situation Report – Overview of Current Disease Outbreaks	Harris
11:10 -11:35	Case Presentations and Discussion	Harris, Yaffee, Love
11:35 -12:00	Discussion/Q&A	Harris, Yaffee, Love



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	<i>(Audience can submit questions and experts will discuss)</i>	
12:00	Wrap-up, Polls	Harris

Bios:

Gavin Harris, MD

Gavin H. Harris, MD is an Assistant Professor of Medicine at Emory University School of Medicine, holding appointments in both the Division of Pulmonary, Allergy and Critical Care Medicine and the Division of Infectious Diseases. He has been on faculty at Emory since 2020 and his professional expertise lies in the areas of disaster preparedness, medical countermeasures, and the treatment of special pathogens. Dr. Harris is the Director of Education and Outreach for the Emory University Serious Communicable Diseases Program Project ECHO and SitRep, the co-clinical lead for critical care medicine for Emory's Serious Communicable Diseases Unit (SCDU), and a rostered physician for the SCDU. Additionally, Dr. Harris is an alumni fellow of the Johns Hopkins University Bloomberg School of Public Health's Center for Health Security Emerging Leaders in Biosecurity Initiative (ELBI) as well as faculty with the National Emerging Special Pathogens Training and Education Center (NETEC) as an adult care subject matter expert and a biothreats subject matter expert with the Southern Regional Disaster Response System (SRDRS).

Anna Yaffee, MD, MPH

Dr. Anna Q. Yaffee is an Associate Professor of Emergency Medicine, practicing clinically at Grady Memorial and Emory University Hospitals. She serves as the Emergency Medicine liaison to the Emory Serious Communicable Diseases Unit and assists with frontline serious communicable disease preparedness for the Emory Healthcare system as well as nationally through the National Emerging Special Pathogens Training and Education Center.

Dr. Yaffee is a board-certified emergency medicine physician, who received an MD (2012) and MPH (2008) from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI and completed her emergency medicine residency and chief residency (2015) at Emory University. Before returning to Emory as faculty, Dr. Yaffee served as a Lieutenant Commander in the United States Public Health Service and worked as an Epidemic Intelligence Service Officer for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Kari Love, RN, MS, CIC, FAPIC

Kari has worked in healthcare for over 30 years as a Registered Nurse and discovered her passion for infection prevention and epidemiology over 20 years ago. She is currently the Corporate Director of Infection Prevention at Emory Healthcare.



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Kari has published and co-authored books and numerous articles in peer-reviewed journals and continues to remain involved in the day-to-day challenges of infection prevention. She is the recipient of the Daisy Leadership Award for her contributions during the COVID pandemic response at Emory and has received recognition for her leadership and clinical achievements.

Kari received her Nursing Degree from New Mexico State University and her Bachelor of Science and Master of Science degrees in Clinical Management and Leadership from George Washington University. She is certified in infection prevention and control (CIC) has been recognized as a Fellow of APIC (FAPIC) and is currently completing her Ph.D. in Translational Health Sciences at George Washington University.

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