

# INFECTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL: THEN AND NOW

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# Approximately 250 members

Majority are nurses- recently other professions being considered

Certification process
through the Order of Nurses
of Quebec - Clinical Nurse
Specialist in Infection
Prevention and Control

Approximately 33 certified



#### As part of its mission, AIPI aims to promote and consolidate:

- A culture of excellence in the prevention and control of nosocomial infections in Quebec;
- The role of the IPAC nurse in improving the quality and safety of patient nursing care;
- The contribution of IPAC nurses to the advancement of this specialty at the local, regional, provincial, national and international levels.

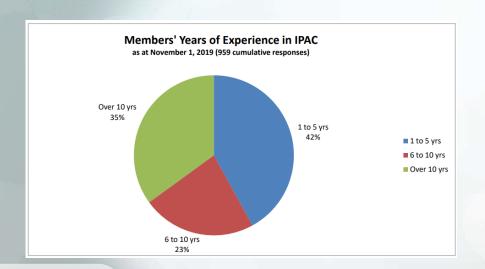
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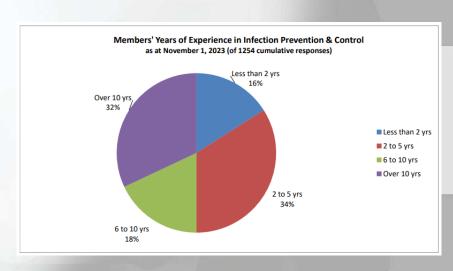


# How many years of experience do you have as an Infection Control Professional?

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# **IPAC Canada 2019/2023**





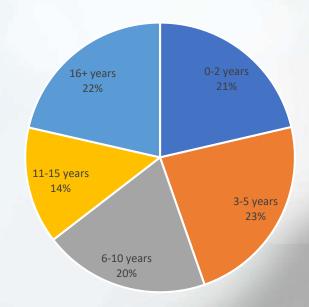
42%<5 Years

50%<5 Years

# **Apic Megasurvey 2020**

ICP Years of Experience







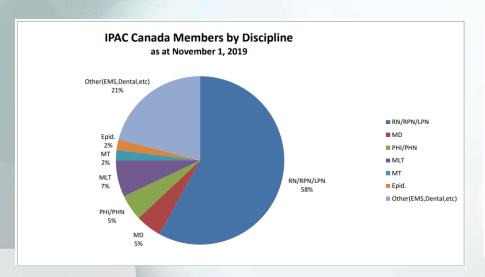


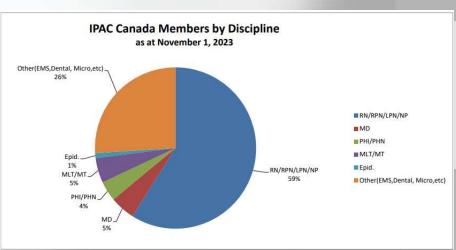






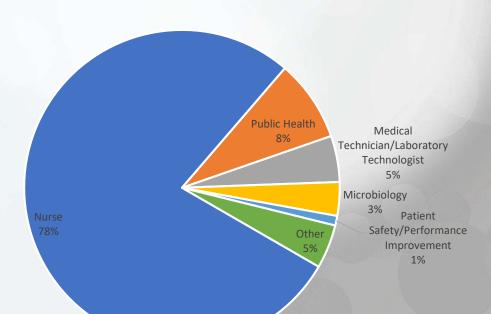
# **IPAC Canada 2019/2023**





# **Apic Megasurvey 2020**

**ICP** Disciplines



# Certification Board of Infection Control and Epidemiology (CBIC)

#### 9,524:

Number of individuals Certified in Infection Control (CIC®).



#### 403:

Number of individuals certified in Long-Term Care Certification in Infection Prevention (LTC-CIP).

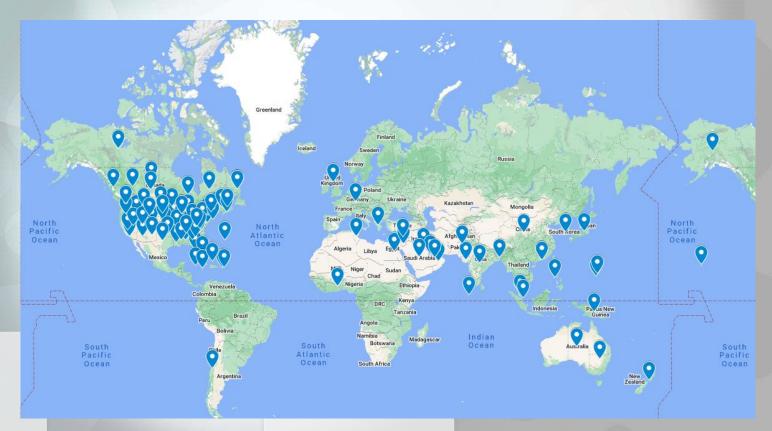


#### 589:

Number of individuals certified in Associate – Infection Prevention and Control (a-IPC).



# Where in the world are CICs?



# **CBIC Certification Canada 2023**





Number of IPAC-Canada Members: 2115

29% (618) CIC

0.02% (43) LTC-CIP

0.01% (22) a-IPC





# History and Inception of Infection Prevention and Control

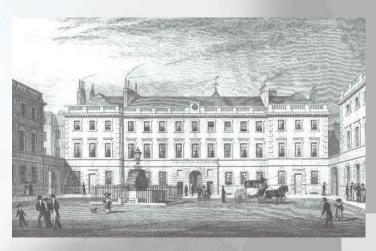
"History is not a burden on the memory but an illumination of the soul." - Lord Acton

# The Medieval Era (500-1500)

#### **Prevalent Diseases**

- Plague
- Smallpox (20-60% mortality)
- Dysentery
- Typhus
- Leprosy
- Tuberculosis

\*First hospitals in Europe to care for the sick, insane and destitute (rich people received care at home)



https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/St\_Bartholomew%27s\_Hospital
Established in 1123,
London

# The Medieval Era (500-1500) Control Measures

In 1300s, a third of ALL people in Europe died of bubonic plague



- Collection of the bodies of plague victims – left in streets, collected in carts and placed in mass graves outside of town
- Abandon the town!- some lost 2/3 of the population within a year
- Hang those who came from an epidemic region to an uninfected area
- Shut plague victims in their homes and burning clothing and bedding

# The Medieval Era (500-1500) Hypothetical Infection Control Committee Agenda

- Review of infections and mortality
  - Hospital infection rate: 90%
  - Clean wound infection rate 80%
  - Hospitalization-associated death rate 40-70%
- Staffing problems
  - Many died of plague or smallpox
  - Inmates assisted patients
- Surveillance denominator (beds or patients???)
  - Multiple patients in a single bedaccounts of up to 6
- Hospital stench
- Policy for corpse removal- at times left for
   >24 hours in a bed with living patients
- Vermin in beds



Hôtel-Dieu de Paris c. 1500. The comparatively well patients (on the right) were separated from the very ill (on the left).

P.W. Smith et al. AJIC

### **Significant Historical Events:**

#### Early Modern Era (1500-1800):

- First health departments established
- Hospitals continued to be built

#### Progressive Era (1890s-1920s):

- Semmelweis- handwashing
- Lister-surgical antisepsis
- Koch and Pasteur- germ theory

#### Post War Era (1940s-1950s)

- Antibiotics- penicillin given to septic patients
- Antibiotics- streptomycin used to treat TB



# The Post War Era (1940s-1950s) Public Health



CDC circa 1946



CDC Today

- 1946- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
  - First report: 161 cases of poliomyelitis, 4 cases of smallpox, 229 cases of diptheria, 25,041 cases of measles
- Hospitals were overall much safer
- First infection control nurses!!!

**Infection Prevention and Control Staffing and Programs** 

#### 1960:

- Infection Control emerged as a separate discipline/specialty in nursing
- First IC course

#### 1970:

 CDC establishes National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN) formally NNIS to track and report healthcare associated infections

#### 1972:

APIC was founded

#### 1976:

IPAC-Canada was founded (formerly CHICA-Canada)

#### 1978:

AIPI (formerly APPI 1978- 1999)

#### 1982:

 Certification Board of Infection Control and epidemiology was established (CBIC)



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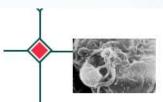
Events That
Significantly
Impacted Infection
Prevention and
Control...



1981

# First cases of an illness subsequently defined as acquired

First cases of an illness subsequently defined as acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS) is reported by healthcare providers in California and the CDC.



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June 5, 1981 / Vol. 30 / No. 21

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Epidemiologic Notes and Reports

#### Pneumocystis Pneumonia - Los Angeles

In the period October 1980-May 1981, 5 young men, all active homosexuals, were treated for biopsy-confirmed *Pneumocystis carinii* pneumonia at 3 different hospitals in Los Angeles, California. Two of the patients died. All 5 patients had laboratory-confirmed previous or current cytomegalovirus (CMV) infection and candidal mucosal infection. Case reports of these patients follow.

# Understanding AIDS

A Message From The Surgeon General

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https://apic.org/50th-anniversary-timeline/

### **HIV Global Statistics**

Table 1. Estimated number of people living with HIV, all ages, 2010, 2021 and 2022

WHO region	Estimated number of people living with HIV		
	2010	2021	2022
Global	31 500 000	38 700 000	39 000 000
	[26 700 000-36 800 000]	[32 800 000-45 200 000]	[33 100 000-45 700 000]
African Region	21 500 000	25 500 000	25 600 000
	[18 200 000-25 200 000]	[21 600 000-30 000 000]	[21 600 000-30 000 000
Eastern and	16 500 000	20 400 000	20 400 000
Southern Africa	[13 900 000-19 500 000]	[17 100 000-24 000 000]	[17 200 000-24 100 000
Western and	4 900 000	5 100 000	5 100 000
Central Africa	[4 300 000-5 700 000]	[4 500 000-5 900 000]	[4 500 000-5 900 000
Region of the Americas	2 700 000	3 700 000	3 800 000
	[2 400 000-3 100 000]	[3 300 000-4 200 000]	[3 400 000-4 300 000
South-East Asia Region	4 100 000	3 900 000	3 900 000
	[3 500 000-4 700 000]	[3 400 000-4 600 000]	[3 400 000-4 600 000
European Region	1 600 000	2 900 000	3 000 000
	[1 400 000-1 800 000]	[2 500 000-3 200 000]	[2 600 000-3 300 000]
Eastern Mediterranean	240 000	460 000	490 000
Region	[210 000-300 000]	[390 000-560 000]	[420 000-600 000
Western Pacific Region	1 400 000	2 200 000	2 200 000
	[1 000 000-1 700 000]	[1 600 000-2 700 000]	[1 700 000-2 800 000

## **Impact on Infection Prevention and Control**

#### 1985: Universal Precautions

 a new strategy for isolation following the epidemic of HIV, after needlestick injuries were documented as a source for healthcare workers being infected from the blood of positive patients.

#### 1987: Body Substance Isolation

 focused on the isolation of all moist and potentially infectious body substances from all patients, regardless of their presumed infection status.

1996: Standard and Transmission Based Precautions (US)

1999: Routine Practices and Additional Precautions (Canada)



https://publications.gc.ca/collections/ collection\_2013/aspc-phac/HP40-83-2013-eng.pdf

# **Changes to Laboratory Practices**





Vydia (1990)

# **Changes to Laboratory Practices**



Biological Safety Cabinet

### **Laboratory Technologist to Infection Control Practitioner**

My first job as an Infection Control Practitioner:

North York General Hospital 2001-2004

Acute Care/ Alternate Level of Care/Long Term Care-Toronto

And then this happened...



# Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS)



#### 2003

SARS-CoV (Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome) pandemic begins

SARS-CoV (Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome) pandemic begins, with 8,098 cases worldwide (8 in U.S.) resulting in 774 deaths. Canada requests U.S. IPs to assist, which several did. Ann Marie Pettis, Linda Greene, Janet Franck, and others arrived at Scarborough Grace (ground zero hospital).

### **Global Case Counts**

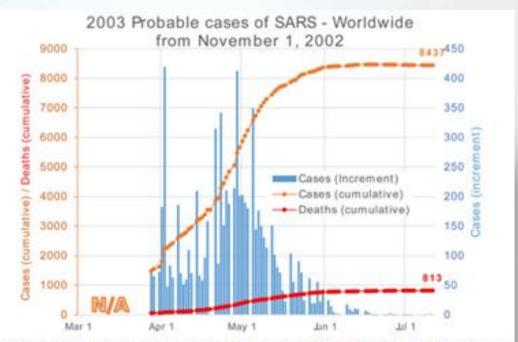


FIGURE 1–6 2003 Probable cases of SARS worldwide. Courtesy: Cumulative number of reported probable cases of severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS). WHO. https://www.who.int/csr/sars/country/2003\_05\_28/en/.

# **SARS in Toronto**

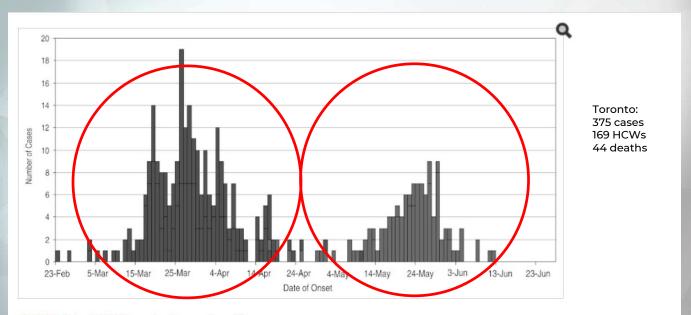


FIGURE 1-1 SARS Toronto: Phases I and II

The two SARS outbreaks that occurred in Toronto and the age distribution of cases. The majority of cases, which occurred between the ages of 18 and 64, were among health care workers, patients, and visitors to patients in hospitals.

Learning from SARS: Preparing for the Next Disease Outbreak: Workshop, National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine. 2004. Learning from SARS: Preparing for the Next Disease Outbreak: Workshop Summary. Washington, DC: The National Academies Press. https://doi.org/10.17226/10915.

# **SARS in Toronto- My Experience**

Staffing at the time consisted of 2 ICPs for:

- 425 Acute Care beds
- 175 Alternate Level of Care (ALC) and Rehabilitation beds
- 200 Long Term Care (LTC) beds

Total: 800 beds



Nelia Laroza Memorial Garden, North York General Hospital, Toronto, ON

# **SARS in Toronto- My Experience**

- ICPs from the US came to assist.
- CDC did a site visit
- Public Health would not come onsite- I completed 10 day histories on suspect and confirmed cases
- PH quarantined my neighbour because he was "exposed" to me (I was not sick!!!)
- I could not safely be around my family
- Asked to participate in the Walker Panel- Ontario's expert panel on SARS
- As part of a study post-SARS outbreak, I had serology testing done- I was negative







### **Impact on Infection Prevention and Control**

#### **Precautionary Principle:**

"Where there is reasonable evidence of an impending threat to public health, it is inappropriate to require proof of causation beyond a reasonable doubt before taking steps to avert the threat."

#### Proposed reforms to:

- Public Health in Ontario
- Occupational Health and Safety

Provincial Infectious Diseases Advisory Committee (PIDAC) was established in 2004 in response to the recommendations of the SARS expert panel (I was a member 2016-2021)



# Middle Eastern Respiratory Syndrome (MERS)

- First case 2012 now detected in 27 countries but majority of MERS-CoV cases continue to be reported from the Middle East
- Source points to dromedary camels in the Middle East as a reservoir from which humans sporadically become infected through zoonotic transmission
- Secondary human-to-human transmission has occurred, particularly within households and in healthcare settings.

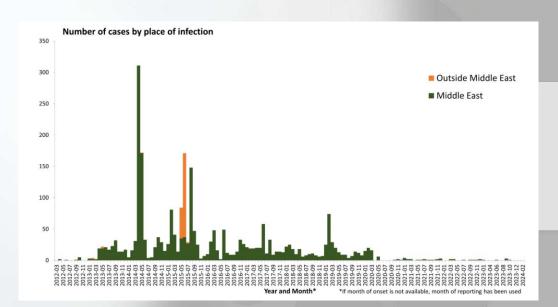


# Case Counts - Total: 2600 - Canada: 0 - US: 2

#### Countries with Lab-Confirmed MERS Cases

Countries in or near the Arabian Peninsula that have reported MERS cases: Bahrain, Iran, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates (UAE), and Yemen.

Countries outside of the Arabian Peninsula with travel-associated MERS cases: Algeria, Austria, China, Egypt, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Malaysia, Netherlands, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Thailand, Tunisia, Turkey, United Kingdom (UK), and United States of America (USA).



# **Impact on Infection Prevention and Control**

#### Syndromic Surveillance:

A form of surveillance that generates information for public health action by collecting, analyzing and interpreting routine health-related data on symptoms and clinical signs reported by patients and clinicians rather than being based on microbiologically or clinically confirmed cases.

Utilizes data from telehealth triage systems, general practice and emergency departments



# **Covid-19- My Experience**

#### **IPAC Screening:**

- Temperature >38C?
- Respiratory symptom screening
- Gl symptom screening
- Close contact with someone who is sick?
- Travel outside of Canada in the last 21 days or contact with a sick person who has travelled outside Canada in the last 21 days
- Previous admission to hospital or long term care facility in the last 12 months?
- Encounters with the healthcare system outside of Canada in the last 12 months (i.e. dialysis, cumulative >12 hours of any kind of care)
- Have you been told that you have a multi-drug resistant organism such as MRSA, VRE or CPE?

#### IPAC Screening

Flowsheet Row IPAC Screening

Do you have a temperature over 37.8C?

Do you have any of the following respiratory symptoms?

Do you have any of the following GI symptoms?

Do you have any other symptoms?

Have you been confirmed to have COVID-19 or had close contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19 in the last 10 days?

Have you travelled outside of Canada or been in contact with a sick person who has travelled outside of Canada in the last 21 days?

Have you been admitted to a hospital or long term care facility in the last 12 months?

Have you had any significant encounters with a healthcare system outside of Canada in the last 12 months (e.g. dialysis, cumulative 12+ hours of any kind of care)

Have you been told that you have MRSA, VRE, or CPO?

Have you had contact with someone who is a confirmed CPO patient?

Do you live in a facility that is on outbreak?

## Ebola (2014-2016)



#### 2014

The 2014-2016 Ebola Outbreak in West Africa begins.

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In September 2014, the CDC confirmed the case of Ebola in the U.S. in a man who traveled from West Africa to Dallas, Texas. APIC members provide training to teams traveling abroad and serve on the ground in West Africa assisting with the response. APIC makes national headlines and testifies before Congress with its "Ebola Readiness Survey" which found that only 6 percent of IPs at U.S. hospitals indicated they were well-prepared to receive a patient with Ebola and that one in two hospitals have only 1 or fewer than 1 full-time IPs on staff.

Chicungunya–US travel associated cases total 2,799 represented risk for pregnant women.



#### **Case Counts:**

Total:

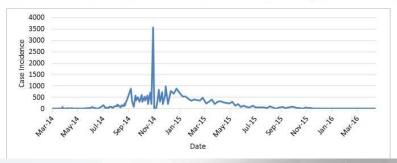
28,616 with 11,310 deaths in Guinea, Liberia and Sierra Leone

**36** with 15 deaths in other countries

Canada: 0

US: 11 (9 travel related, 2 HCWs who cared for Ebola patient)

The Frequency of New Cases in Guinea, Liberia, and Sierra Leone during the Ebola Outbreak from March 25, 2014 to April 13, 2016



## **Impact on Infection Prevention and Control**

#### **Enhanced Surveillance:**

- Symptom screening at hospitals
- Airport screening for travelers coming from high risk countries

Contact tracing and 21 day quarantine for contacts

Up to date and consistent P&P (evolved into Viral Hemorrhagic Fever policy)

#### PPE:

- Updated guidance
- Detailed instructions that include specifying that no skin should be exposed
- Extensive instructions for donning and doffing the equipment
- Added clarification that Ebola may spread through wet droplets such as sneezes



https://www.cdc.gov/vhf/ebola/history/2014-2016outbreak/index.html

- Selection of enhanced PPE (water-proof, completely covers all skin) with detailed protocols
- Extensive staff training on donning and doffing
- Selection of specific group of staff to manage a suspect/confirmed case of Ebola
- Identify flow of patient from emergency department to critical care
- Subsequently, hospitals were designated to manage Ebola cases. All others managed patients only in the emergency department



## Covid-19

"Humans get viruses from wildlife - it's been true throughout our entire evolutionary history. The best thing we can do is separate ourselves from this wildlife and have better surveillance."

Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, director-general of the World Health Organization



#### 2019

Wuhan Municipal Health Commission, China, reported a cluster of cases of pneumonia in Wuhan, Hubei Province. A novel coronavirus is eventually identified.

**December 31st:** Wuhan Municipal Health Commission, China, reported a cluster of cases of pneumonia in Wuhan, Hubei Province. A novel coronavirus is eventually identified.



US: first confirmed case January 20, 2020

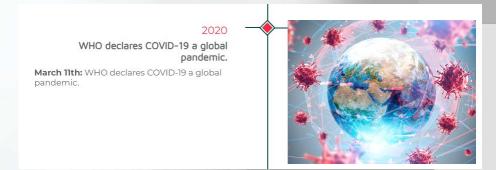


August 25, 2020



Dr. Jerome Leis, Sunnybrook's medical director of infection prevention and control

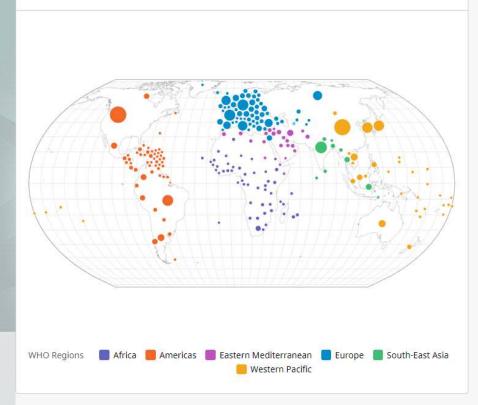
On January 25, Canada's first case of COVID-19 was confirmed at Sunnybrook.



Canada: first confirmed case January 27, 2020

#### Number of COVID-19 cases reported to WHO (cumulative total)

World



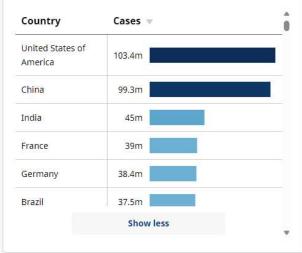
#### 774,834,251

Reported COVID-19 cases

3 March 2024

## Number of COVID-19 cases reported to WHO (cumulative total)

World



Source: World Health Organization

## Scarborough Health Network:

- Over 900 inpatient beds
- 3 Acute Care hospitals
- 8 Satellites
- One of the largest dialysis programs in North America

#### Staffing:

Pre- pandemic	Post- Pandemic
8 ICPs 1 Supervisor 1 Manager (me) 0.2 FTE Medical Director	Acute Care: 10 ICPs 1 Supervisor 1 Manager
	IPAC Hub: 4 ICPs 1 Supervisor



\*January 2021: Highest number of admitted cases at 250

- Had a pandemic plan but difficult to operationalize
- PPE stockpile could only sustain us for a few months (many facilities had expired stock!)
- Supplies became a concern especially N95 respirators
- Many rules were broken such as the extended/reuse of PPE



#### Challenges- there were many!!!

- Changing guidance (with each new variant)
- Updating P&P and operationalizing the changes
- Increase in consultations (internal and external)
- Vetting of supplies (PPE, hand sanitizer)

#### Staffing:

- Increased workload (24/7)
- Inexperienced ICP staff
- Lack of time to properly train new staff
- Extended coverage to community left us shortstaffed in acute care



## **Impact on Infection Prevention and Control**

Preparedness- globally coordinated effort required led by the WHO/WHA

- to coordinate pandemic response to allow rapid mobilization of mitigation and control strategies at an international scale
- monitoring of emerging infectious diseases
- global surveillance and regulation of domestic and wild animal trade
- Bolster research and development of vaccines for ALL world regions

Intensify search for the origins of SARS-CoV2

Unbiased, transparent work by international team



## **Quarantine**



A mother and child rush past a quarantined home during a plague epidemic in this 19th-century illustration titled The Quarantine by Honore Daumier. (Science Photo Library)

https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/newfoundlandlabrador/apocalypse-then-marking-homes-1.6032272



https://www.nytimes.com/2021/03/10/us/politics/coronavirus-nursing-homes.html

"I think it's very healthy to spend time alone. You need to know how to be alone and not be defined by another person." – Oscar Wilde





Overview of Key Organisms in Healthcare

## **Global Top 10 Organisms Causing Death**

Rank	Pathogen	All-cause age-standardised mortality rate			
1	Staphylococcus aureus	14.6			
2	E. coli	12.6 11.4 11.4 7.4 5.8			
3	Streptococcus pneumoniae				
4	Klebsiella pneumoniae				
5	Pseudomonas aeruginosa				
6	Acinetobacter baumannii				
7	Enterobacter species	4.2			
8	Group B Streptococcus	4.4			
9	Enterococcus faecalis	2.8			
10	Enterococcus faecium	2.8			
27	Clostridioides difficile	0.4			

## Global Report on Infection Prevention and Control, 2022

"HAIs are among the most frequent adverse events occurring in the context of health service delivery"



High Income Countries (HIC) HAIs in acute care: 7/100 patients

Low-Middle Income Countries (LMIC)HAIs in acute care: 15/100 patients

Up to 30% of patients in intensive care are affected by HAIs with 2-20 X higher incidence in LMICs than in HICs



## Prevalent Organisms in Healthcare

Top 15 Healthcare Associated Infection (HAI) Pathogens Reported to the National Healthcare Safety Network, Adults 2018-2021

Pathogen	# Pathogens	% Pathogens	Rank
Escherichia coli	73,556	16.2	1
Staphylococcus aureus	51,131	11.3	2
Enterococcus faecalis <sup>2</sup>	39,129	8.6 8.5 7.9	3 4 5 6 7
Select Klebsiella spp.	38,496		
Pseudomonas aeruginosa	36,004		
Coagulase-negative staphylococci	32,276	7.1	
Enterobacter spp.	18,431	4.1	
Enterococcus faecium <sup>2</sup>	16,904	3.7	8
Candida albicans <sup>2</sup>	16,458	3.6 3.1 2.6 2.2	9 10 11 12
Proteus spp.	13,953		
Bacteroides spp.	11,602		
Viridans group streptococci	9,962		
Other Candida spp. 2	9,803	2.2	13
Other Enterococcus spp. 2	9,091	2.0	14
Candida glabrata²	7,622	1.7	15
Other pathogen	68,522	15.1	
Total	452,940	100.0	

# 2022 SPECIAL REPORT COVID-19 U.S. IMPACT ON ANTIMICROBIAL RESISTANCE

COVID-19 Impacts on

#### 18 Antimicrobial-Resistant Bacteria and Fungi Threat Estimates

The following table summarizes the latest national death and infection estimates for 18 antimicrobial-resistant bacteria and fungi. The pathogens are listed in three categories—urgent, serious, and concerning—based on level of concern to human health identified in 2019.

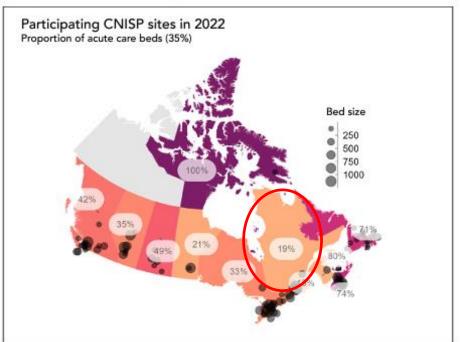
	Resistant Pathogen	2017 Threat Estimate	2018 Threat Estimate	2019 Threat Estimate	2017-2019 Change	2020 Threat Estimate and 2019-2020 Change	
URGENT	Carbapenem-resistant Acinetobacter	8,500 cases 700 deaths	6,300 cases 500 deaths	6,000 cases 500 deaths	Stable*	7,500 cases 700 deaths Overall: 35% increase* Hospital-onset; 78% increase*	
	Antifungal-resistant Candida auris	171 clinical cases*	329 dinical cases	466 clinical cases	Increase	754 cases Overall: 60% increase	
	Clostriclioides difficile	223,900 infections 12,800 deaths	221,200 infections 12,600 deaths	202,600 infections 11,500 deaths	Decrease	Data delayed due to COVID-19 pandemic	
	Carbapenem-resistant Enterobacterales	13,100 cases 1,100 deaths	10,300 cases 900 deaths	11,900 cases 1,000 deaths	Decrease*	12,700 cases 1,100 deaths Overall: Stable* Hospital-onset: 35% increase*	
	Drug-resistant Neisseria gonorrhoeae	550,000 infections	804,000 infections	942,000 infections	Increase	Data unavailable due to COVID-19 pandemic	
SERIOUS	Drug-resistant Campylobacter	448,400 infections 70 deaths	630,810 infections	725,210 infections	Increase	Data delayed due to COVID-19 pandemic: 26% of infections were resistant, a 10% decrease	
	Antifungal-resistant Candida	34,900 cases 1,700 deaths	27,000 cases 1,300 deaths	26,600 cases 1,300 deaths	Decrease*	28,100 cases 1,400 deaths Overall: 12% increase* Hospital-onset: 26% increase*	
	ESBL-producing Enterobacterales	197,400 cases 9,100 deaths	174,100 cases 8,100 deaths	194,400 cases 9,000 deaths	Increase*	197,500 cases 9,300 deaths Overall: 10% increase* Hospital-onset: 32% increase*	
	Vancomycin-resistant Enterococcus	54,500 cases 5,400 deaths	46,800 cases 4,700 deaths	47,000 cases 4,700 deaths	Stable*	50,300 cases 5,000 deaths Overalt 16% increase* Hospital-onset: 14% increase*	

COVID-19: U.S. Impact on Antimicrobial Resistance, Special Report 2022

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# Canadian Nosocomial Infection Surveillance Program (CNISP)

Figure 2: Geographical distribution and characteristics of the Canadian Nosocomial Infection Surveillance Program participating hospitals across Canada<sup>a,b</sup>



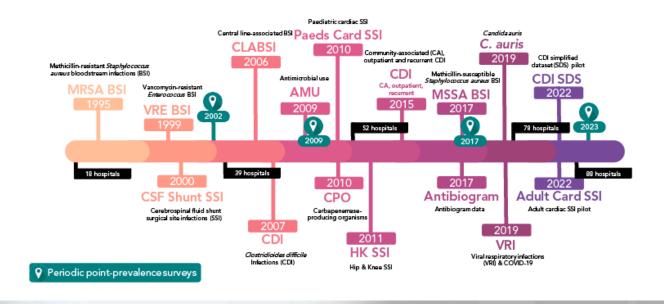
Abbreviation: CNISP, Canadian Nosocomial Infection Surveillance Program

<sup>\*</sup> Percentage labels represent the percentage of acute care beds within each province/territory captured by CNISP

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup> Circles represent CNISP participating hospitals. The size of the circle is proportional to the hospital's bed capacity

Figure 1: Summary of the Canadian Nosocomial Infection Surveillance Program surveillance activities, 1995 to 2022

#### CNISP surveillance activities





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**Changing Dynamics of Infectious Diseases** 

## Emerging (EID) and Re-Emerging (REID) Infectious Diseases

#### EIDs are:

- Outbreaks of previously unknown diseases
- Known disease that is rapidly increasing in incidence or geographic area in the last 2 decades
- Persistence of infectious diseases that cannot be controlled

#### REIDs are:

 Diseases that reappear after they have been on a significant decline

Re-emergence may happen because of:

- a breakdown in public health measures for diseases that were once under control
- new strains of known disease-causing organisms appear
- human behavior such as the return of vaccine preventable

Most EIDs and REIDs have a zoonotic origin, denoting that the disease has emerged from an animal and crossed the species barrier to infect humans

## Factors that Precipitate the Occurrence and Transmission of EIDs and REIDs...

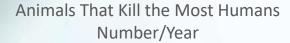


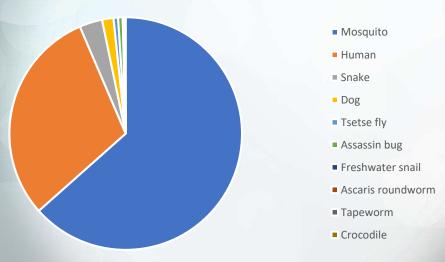
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## What animal is the #1 killer of humans in the world?

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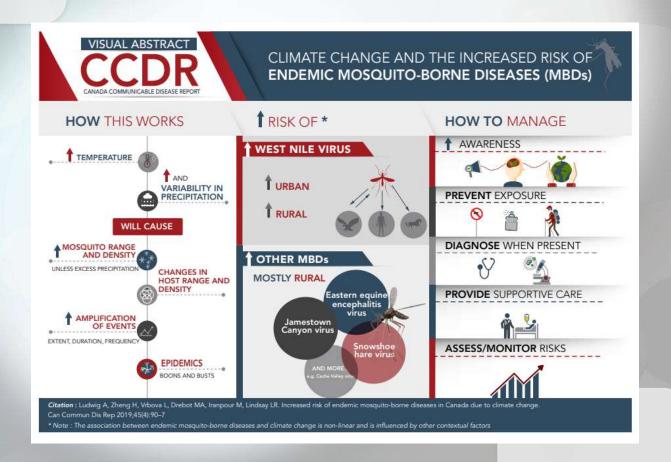




#### 1. Mosquitoes (~ 1,000,000 Deaths)



### **Mosquito-Borne Diseases Canada**





## OUR RISK FOR INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Is Increasing Because of Climate Change

These are just some of the infectious diseases that are on the rise and spreading to new areas of the United States.

Milder winters, warmer summers, and fewer days of frost make it easier for these and other infectious diseases to expand into new geographic areas and infect more people.

## As the climate changes, the risk also increases for health threats such as:

- Anaplasmosis
- Anthrax
- Antibiotic-resistant infections
- Cryptosporidiosis
- Dengue
- Ehrlichiosis
- Fungal diseases like valley fever and histoplasmosis
- Giardiasis
- ► Hantavirus
- Harmful algal bloom-associated illness
- Lyme disease
- Plague
- Rabies
- Spotted fever rickettsiosis
- Salmonellosis
- Vibriosis
- West Nile virus disease



What to know about rare virus Alaskapox after 1st fatal case
The virus was first identified in Fairbanks in 2015, the Alaska DOH says.

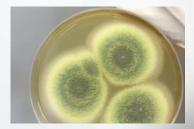
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Animal-borne diseases





Fungal diseases





Vector-borne diseases

### **Recent Examples...**

## Ongoing avian influenza outbreaks in animals pose risk to humans

#### Situation analysis and advice to countries from FAO, WHO, WOAH

12 July 2023 | Statement | Geneva/Paris/Rome | Reading time: 6 min (1743 words)

The current outbreaks of avian influenza (also called "bird flu") have caused devastation in animal populations, including poultry, wild birds, and some mammals, and harmed farmers livelihoods and the food trade. Although largely affecting animals, these outbreaks pose ongoing risks to humans.

The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), the World Health Organization (WHO), and the World Organization for Animal Health (WOAH) are urging countries to work together across sectors to save as many animals as possible and to protect people.

Avian influenza viruses normally spread among birds, but the increasing number of H5N1 avian influenza detections among mammals—which are biologically closer to humans than birds are—raises concern that the virus might adapt to infect humans more easily. In addition, some mammals may act as mixing vessels for influenza viruses, leading to the emergence of new viruses that could be more harmful to animals and humans.

AVIAN INFLUENZA, HUMAN - VIET NAM (02): (KHANH HOA) H5N1, FATAL

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AVIAN INFLUENZA, HUMAN - CAMBODIA (04): (KRATIE) H5N1, FATAL

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#### Important Updates on Locally Acquired Malaria Cases Identified in Florida, Texas, and Maryland

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Distributed via the CDC Health Alert Network August 28, 2023, 2:15 PM ET CDCHAN-00496

#### Summary

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is issuing this Health Alert Network (HAN) Health Update to share new information with clinicians, public health authorities, and the public about locally acquired malaria cases identified in the United States. On August 18, 2023, a single case of locally acquired malaria was reported in Maryland [21] in the National Capital Region. This case was caused by the Plasmodium flaciparum (P. Alciparum) species and is unrelated to the cases involving local transmission of Plasmodium vivax (P. vivax) malaria in Florida and Texas described in the HAN Health Advisory 349 issued on June 26, 2023. As an update to that report, to date, Florida has identified seven cases and Texas has identified one case of locally acquired P. vivax malaria, but there have been no reports of local transmission of malaria in Elovida or Texas cince middlady 2023.

#### Severe *Vibrio vulnificus* Infections in the United States Associated with Warming Coastal Waters

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Distributed via the CDC Health Alert Network September 01, 2023,12:30 PM ET CDCHAN-00497

#### Summan

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is issuing this Health Alert Network (HAN) Health Advisory to:

- Notify healthcare providers, laboratories, and public health departments about recent reports of fatal Vibrio vulnificus (V. vulnificus) infections, including wound and foodborne infections.
- Urge healthcare professionals to consider V. wulnificus as a possible cause of infected wounds that were exposed to
  coastal waters, particularly near the Gulf of Mexico or East Coast, and during periods with <u>warmer coastal sea surface</u>
  temperatures [2].
- . Share important guidance for managing V. vulnificus wound infections.

## World Health Organization: Prioritizing the World's Greatest Pathogen Threats

- 200 global experts are independently reviewing and shortlisting pathogens of pandemic concern
- Key Criteria to Shortlist:
  - How transmissible are they?
  - How virulent are they?
  - Are there sufficient vaccines or treatments in the event of a pandemic or epidemic?

#### 2018 Priority List

- COVID-19
- · Crimean-Congo haemorrhagic fever
- Ebola virus disease and Marburg virus disease
- Lassa feve
- · Middle East respiratory syndrome coronavirus (MERS-CoV) and Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS)
- Nipah and henipaviral diseases
- Rift Valley fever
- Zika
- "Disease X"\*

The WHO list of priority pathogens of epidemic and pandemic threat is expected to be publicly release in the first half of 2024.

## Disease "X"

\* Disease X represents the knowledge that a serious international epidemic could be caused by a pathogen currently unknown to cause human disease.

### **SUMMARY**

- Infection Prevention and Control is a growing field
- This grown was accelerated by the pandemic
- We have a greater proportion of less experienced ICPs
- It is important to learn from history and to plan for future events both locally and globally



## What's Needed to Enhance Future Response?

- Globally coordinated response
- Monitor potential threats- new list of pathogens in 2024
- Target research on diseases of greatest epidemic/pandemic threat
- New epidemiological surveillance tools using Artificial Intelligence (AI)
- Wastewater Surveillance
- Evolution of safe and rapid development of diagnostics and therapeutics
- Safe, efficient and fast vaccine production



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