

**Voices of the IPS**  
**Infection Prevention Society Board Members & Guests**  
**A Webber Training Teleclass**

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**President's Update**



Martin Kiernan  
President


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- IPS has been getting it's voice heard
  - Governments
  - Agencies
  - Education
  - Supply chain product councils
  - RCN '10 Minimum Standards Campaign'
- IPS has been getting noticed
  - Meetings at Houses of Parliament

**IPS moving Forward**

- Membership at an all-time high and increasing
- Special interest group success
  - Mental Health
  - Surveillance
- Community Group Update
- Ambitious Agenda
  - Education, R&D, IT, QI Tools

**Journal of Infection Prevention**



Paul Weaving, Editor

***Journal of Infection Prevention***

- As a member of IPS you receive a copy of the *Journal of Infection Prevention*
- We aim to make the Journal useful and interesting to read, and we want to hear what you would like to read about
- It also provides you with the opportunity to become a published author

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#### Writing for Publication

- Be confident – you have something valuable to say
- Think about your readers – what do they want from the article? What would you like to read?
  - Service development?
  - Review article?
- Develop an outline plan
- Look at similar types of articles

#### Writing for Publication

- Read and follow the contributor guidelines
- Spill-chuck your document and check the references carefully (Weaving 1899)
- Get someone else to proof-read it for you
- Opinions, advice and support are always available from the Editor and other members of the Editorial Board – we will do our best to help get your article through the review system

#### Conference 2009



Debbie Wright  
Deputy Co-ordinator  
Scientific Programme Committee

#### Infection Prevention 09



21-23 September 2009  
Harrogate International Centre, Yorkshire

***Celebrating the past –  
looking to the future***

*The Infection Prevention event of the year*



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21-23 September, Harrogate



Celebrating the past – looking to the future

- **Day 1:** Informing Expert Practice
- **Day 2:** Promoting Excellence in Infection Prevention
- **Day 3:** Sustaining Systems for Patient Safety
- **Session objectives and key learning opportunities described for each day**

#### Eminent Speakers

- **Professor Gary French**, Guys and St Thomas, London
- **Professor Hilary Humphries**, Professor of Clinical Microbiology, Dublin
- **Dr Jacqui Reilly**, Consultant Nurse Epidemiologist, Health Protection, Scotland
- **Professor Mark Wilcox**, Professor of Medical Microbiology, Leeds
- **Dr William Jarvis**, President, Jason and Jarvis Associates, USA
- **Evonne Curran**, Consultant Nurse Infection Control, Health Protection Scotland
- **Professor Robert Pratt**, Director of Richard Wells Research Centre, TVU
- **Rosemary Kennedy**, Chief Nursing Officer for Wales
- **Dr Christine Moe**, Professor Emory University, USA

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#### Key topics include:

- 50yrs of resistance
- CSI healthcare - examining the clues to HCAIs
- The cost of MRSA prevention
- All you need to know as a new IPC practitioner
- Epidemiology in practice
- Health Economics - how it all adds up
- Making an impact on patient safety, every single moment
- Working towards IV Safety
- MRSA in care homes – a reflection of care homes or the community?

#### Key topics include:

- The value of effective leadership
- Why are noroviruses such successful pathogens in healthcare settings?
- HAI in dentistry – show me the proof!
- When things go wrong – corporate manslaughter
- MRSA screening around the UK
- Moving on from audit
  - IPS quality improvement tools
- Managing outbreaks in mental health
- **The Inaugural EM Coterill Lecture: In pursuit of excellence - presented by Professor Robert Pratt**

#### Other Highlights

- 17 CME credits awarded
- First IV Forum Conference stream
- Drop-in sessions for Care and Nursing Home staff
- The largest infection prevention exhibition in the UK
- Poster and free paper presentations
- Golden Gala Dinner and lots more.....

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#### Your next steps

- Register now – **the** best value for money conference of the year
  - Deadline for 'early bird' registration is the 5<sup>th</sup> June
- Submit an abstract – deadline 5 June

#### Education and Professional Development Committee (EPDC)



*Emma Burnett*  
(Co-ordinator)

#### Committee

- Formed in June 2008
- Members:
  - Emma Burnett (co-ordinator)
  - Maria Bennallick (deputy co-ordinator)
  - Jean Lawrence (secretary)
  - Rozila Horton
  - Angela Richards
  - Margaret Tannahill
  - Sarah Murdoch

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#### Education and Professional Development

- Through the development of educational and professional development activity, the IPS can assist in helping produce a competent and confident workforce within infection prevention and control.
- Collaborative working with relevant committees, groups and branches within the society and external networks to achieve innovative outcomes reflecting the requirements of the strategic framework of the IPS.

#### Key Objectives of the EPDC Strategy

- Role and responsibilities of committee
- Competencies Review
- Accreditation
- Educational Leads
- National Study Day
- Representative for NHS Core Learning

#### Competencies

- Production of national Infection Prevention and Control Core Competencies to underpin continuing professional development
- National policy: Modernising Nursing Careers.
  - Organisation and facilitation of a marketing strategy to promote the competencies
  - Development of a strategy for the measurement of the utilisation of the national core competencies
- Timescales



#### Accreditation

- The opportunity to develop and continually enhance knowledge and skills of Infection Prevention and Control Practitioners
- Formal recognition that an organisation is competent to carry out specific tasks or types of tasks
- Provides standardised measurement
- Individual growth and professionalism
- Plan progression routes specific to individuals and healthcare organisations
- Enhance credibility and prestige
- Aligned with IPS competencies



Let the IPS help you achieve your goals



Research and Development



Heather Loveday  
Co-ordinator

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What have we been working on?

- Establishing IPS research priority areas
- Identifying research theme groups
- Developing a framework for building research capacity within the Society

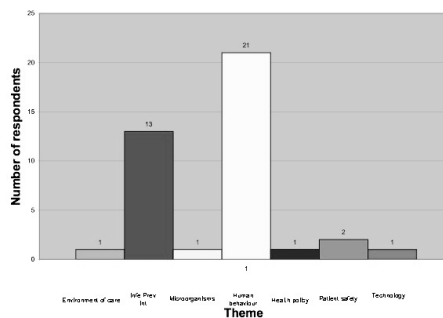
R&D Priorities - Themes and Issues



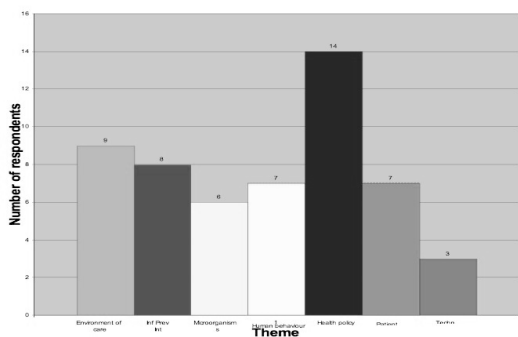
Priorities Survey

- Sent to a panel of 85 members who have an explicit remit for research in their role consultant nurses and academic researchers.
- 40 surveys returned

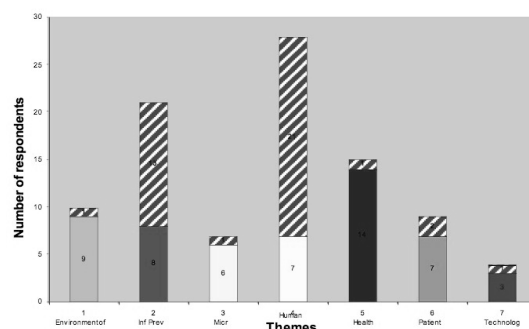
Themes scored as highest priority



Next highest priority



Emerging Priority Themes



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### Research Theme Groups

- Two will be established this year;
- The purpose of these groups will be to develop fundable proposals for collaborative research;
- First step will be to develop the research agenda from the questions provided by survey respondents;
- Initially will involve those who responded to the survey and then be expanded as virtual discussion groups.

### Membership

- There are currently vacancies for members of the R&D group for the following branches:
  - Wales,
  - Northern Ireland,
  - Eire and
  - South West
- A call for applicants will be sent out in May. Anyone who wants to chat informally about involvement in the group should contact Heather Loveday

### Got a research or service development project you want to present?

- If you would like support to submit an abstract for an oral or poster presentation at Conference contact Heather Loveday in the first instance.
- Closing date for submissions is 05 June 2009 so make it sooner rather than later!

### IPS Website

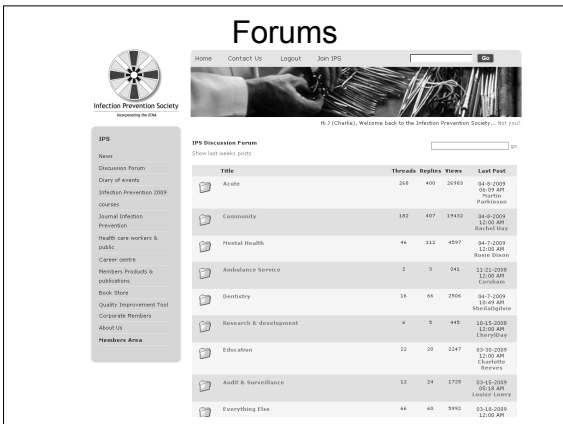


Charlie Charlton  
IT Group

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The screenshot shows the IPS Home Page with a navigation menu (Home, Contact Us, Logout, Join IPS), a main content area with a welcome message from H. J. Charlton, and a sidebar with various links like News, Discussion Forum, and Members Area.



The screenshot shows the IPS Discussion Forum page with a table of forum topics. The table has columns for Title, Threads, Replies, Views, and Last Post.

Title	Threads	Replies	Views	Last Post
Acute	348	400	30560	04-08-2009 09:40 AM "Forum" Participants
Community	182	407	17432	04-08-2009 11:00 AM Richard Gray
Mental Health	44	112	4587	04-07-2009 12:00 AM Basil Dwan
Ambulance Services	2	9	341	12-04-2009 12:00 AM Ceryn
Respiratory	14	44	2806	04-07-2009 10:49 AM Harrington
Research & development	4	9	445	10-11-2008 12:00 AM Charlotte
Education	22	30	2147	01-04-2009 12:00 AM Charlotte
Audit & surveillance	12	24	1729	01-03-2009 05:14 AM Loretta Long
Everything Else	44	48	9992	01-18-2009 12:00 AM

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### Forum activity in last week

Subject	Author	Date	Topic
MRSA screening for new admission to hospice care... Hi, Could any one tell me if they routinely screen new patients for MRSA when admitted to their hospice? Thanks.	Rachel Hay	Wed, Apr 8 2009	Community
policy writing Hi, (in wedding hat) We have to write policies for infection control standards. Can anyone give me tips on how to best start. Do I need to write the	Rachel Hay	Wed, Apr 8 2009	Community
RE: Pets as Therapeutic aids in hospital/ clinical settings There have been a couple of web sites addressing MRSA in pets (mostly as pathogens but also as additional reservoirs of infection in the home). Th	Ian Stenbarn	Wed, Apr 8 2009	Acute
Pets as Therapeutic aids in hospital/ clinical settings Hi all, I've had a recent query in relation to allowing Pets as Therapy and usage within the hospital/ clinical environments. Does anyone know of	Martin Parkinson	Wed, Apr 8 2009	Acute
RE: Fire incidents related to use of Chlor Clean I have had someone ring it is possible for fibrosis to spontaneously combust if over dried in a hot tumble drier. This statement has apparently ca	Lynokkhan	Tue, Apr 7 2009	Acute
So, Pull cord/ lights / call bells	Caroline Viner	Tue, Apr 7 2009	Community

### Resources

Resources

All the resources on these pages have been shared by IPS members for members use. If you use something please remember to acknowledge the original author if known. To ensure that these pages remain a valuable resource for all members please share!

To alert the resource page please email: [resources@ips.org.uk](mailto:resources@ips.org.uk)

Thank you to everyone who contributes.

**Essential Steps**

Members shared resources

to download

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to download

**Presentations**

Members shared presentations

to download

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to download

**Quizzes**

Members shared quizzes

read more

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### Renew your membership

Clicking on the **RENEW** membership will take you to the Google Checkout website, where you can pay for your renewal by Credit card

### Updating details

- You can now update ANY of your membership and personal details whilst logged into the site
- Once you have logged into the members area the left hand menu expands to reveal all the **Members Only** areas

### Updating details

Update or correct any details which are incomplete or incorrect

When you have finished updating details, scroll to the bottom of the page and click the 'Continue' button to submit and save the changes

### Sneak preview

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#### Summing Up

- You can see we are an active Society and you can help
- Please get involved
  - A Society is the sum of it's members, not of a part of it
- Please support the Branch
  - Free education for all members
  - Peer group support
- See you all at Harrogate in September



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