

2025 Florida Professionals in Infection Control FPIC Annual Conference

Celebrating 50 Years as the Gold
Standard in Leadership in
Infection Control and Prevention

September 25 - 26, 2025

Long-term Care Pre-Conference Workshop September 24

Virtual & In-person Embassy Suites by Hilton

Tampa Airport Westshore

555 N Westshore Blvd, Tampa, FL 33609



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Registration Rates

Register here: [FPIC 2025 Conference Registration](#)

Attendee Type	Membership Status	Attendance Type	Registration Type	Price
Member	Member	Onsite	Early Bird Discounted	\$250.00
Member	Member	Online	Early Bird Discounted	\$250.00
Non-Member	Non-Member	Onsite	Standard Registration	\$950.00
Non-Member	Non-Member	Online	Standard Registration	\$950.00





Long-Term Care Preconference Workshop

Join infection prevention professionals in long-term care for a full day of focused education. Topics include regulatory compliance challenges, preventing bloodstream infections, and managing antibiotic use during care transitions. Attendees will also learn about MDRO containment, improving cleaning and disinfection, and key leadership skills for infection prevention. The event is designed to strengthen knowledge, support best practices, and build leadership in LTC infection control.

September 24, 2025 (Onsite and Online)

Register here:

[LTC Pre-Conference Workshop Registration](#) [LTC Pre-Conference Workshop](#)

Registration Type	Membership Status	Price
FPIC Member	Member	\$75.00
FHCA Member	Member	\$75.00
Non-Member Registration	Non-Member	\$150.00

Education Hours & Credentialing Information

Attendees of FPIC 2025 are eligible for 2 hours of continuing education in Standard Precautions and 13 hours of General CE, as approved by the Florida Board of Nursing. The program also meets 15 hours of the continuing education requirements for re-certification of the Certified Infection Control (CIC®) credential, in accordance with guidelines from the Certification Board of Infection Control and Epidemiology (CBIC).





Event Location & Hotel Accommodation

FPIC 2025 will be hosted at the Embassy Suites Tampa Westshore

555 N Westshore Blvd, Tampa, FL 33609. Special Discount Rate
Conference attendees can enjoy a special discounted rate of \$159 per night.

Rooms are available for a limited time, so be sure to reserve your room early to secure this exclusive rate.

To reserve your stay, please use the following link:
[Embassy Suites Tampa Westshore](#)

Pre-Conference Workshop: Hot Topics in LTC Infection Prevention

Join us for a full day of sessions focused on long-term care infection prevention, addressing key challenges and best practices. Designed for healthcare professionals, this program aims to improve patient outcomes, manage care transitions, and enhance infection control in long-term care settings.

8:30 AM - 9:00 AM Check In & Welcome

Kickstart the day with a warm welcome and networking opportunity. Connect with colleagues and meet the speakers as we set the stage for a day of learning and collaboration.

9:00 AM - 10:00AM Current Challenges & Regularly Compliance Issues In LTC IP

Explore the current landscape of infection prevention and control in long-term care facilities. Learn about the latest regulatory compliance challenges and effective strategies to ensure adherence to infection control standards.

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Evidence Based and Best Practices for Preventing Bloodstream Infections in Residents with Central Lines and Midlines

Delve into evidence-based practices for preventing bloodstream infections, with a focus on residents with central lines and midlines. This session will provide practical strategies and the latest research to reduce the risk of these serious infections.

11:15 AM - 12:00 PM Antibiotic Stewardship - Managing Care Transitions

Gain insights into effective antibiotic stewardship during care transitions. Learn how to optimize antibiotic use, avoid over-prescription, and manage patient care between different settings to reduce infection risks and antibiotic resistance.

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM Infection Prevention and MDRO Containment

Address the rising challenge of multi-drug resistant organisms (MDROs) in LTC settings. Learn about the latest containment strategies and how to implement effective infection prevention measures to protect residents and staff.

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM Improving the Cleaning & Disinfection Process

Review best practices for cleaning and disinfection in LTC environments. Explore methods to ensure a high standard of cleanliness and reduce the risk of infection through effective cleaning protocols.

3:10 PM - 4:00 PM Leadership Attributes for LTC Infection Professionals

Develop your leadership skills with a focus on infection prevention. This session will explore key leadership attributes and strategies for empowering LTC infection prevention professionals to foster a culture of safety within facilities.

Thursday September 25, 2025

7:00 AM - 8:00 AM Coffee with Sponsors

Kickstart FPIC 2025 with great coffee, fresh connections, and early access to the innovation driving infection prevention forward. Mingle with industry-leading sponsors, explore cutting-edge tools and technologies, and energize your morning with conversations that could spark your next big idea.

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM Opening Keynote:

Transformative Role of Artificial Intelligence in Identifying Health Care Associated Infections

Explore the cutting-edge integration of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in the identification and surveillance of healthcare-associated infections (HAIs). Dr. Carrico will share findings from her recent proof-of-concept study and discuss the challenges, triumphs, and practical implications of AI for infection preventionists. Attendees will gain valuable insights into the future of infection surveillance and how AI is already transforming clinical practice.

Presented by:



Ruth Carrico PhD, DNP, APRN, FNP- C, CIC, FSHEA, FNAP, FAAN

Dr. Carrico is a Professor and Family Nurse Practitioner, gratis faculty, with the University of Louisville School Medicine, Division of Infectious Diseases. Dr. Carrico has received training specific for healthcare epidemiology at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in conjunction with the Rollins School of Public Health at Emory University in Atlanta and the Society for Healthcare Epidemiology of America (SHEA). Dr. Carrico served as editor for the APIC Text of Infection Control and Epidemiology from 2005-2012. In 2008, Dr. Carrico was appointed to the National Bio surveillance Subcommittee (NBS) Advisory Committee to the Director, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and in 2010 became a SHEA Fellow. In 2020 was recognized as a Distinguished Fellow in the National Academies of Practice and in October 2021, Dr. Carrico was inducted as a Fellow in the American Academy of Nursing, the highest honor in the nursing profession.

9:00 AM - 9:30 AM Refreshment Break with Sponsors

9:30 AM - 11:00 AM Stakeholder Panel & Town Hall Discussion

Engage with a diverse panel of infection prevention stakeholders, including healthcare professionals, regulatory experts, and policy influencers. This interactive session invites attendees to pose questions, raise concerns, and collaboratively explore key issues facing the field of infection prevention and control today.

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM Legislative & Regulatory Update

Stay informed with the latest federal and state legislative developments affecting infection prevention practices in Florida. Experts will provide updates on state and federal regulations, as well as upcoming policy changes and their anticipated impact on healthcare settings.

12:00 PM - 1:30 PM Lunch with Sponsors

1:30 PM -2:30 PM Break Out Sessions:

Option A: Mastering Modern Sterile Techniques: A Deep Dive into the New AORN Guidelines for Infection Preventionists
Stay ahead of the curve with a comprehensive review of the latest AORN Guidelines for Sterile Technique. This session is tailored for infection preventionists seeking to ensure best practices in surgical settings. Participants will explore updates in air quality management, hands-on implementation strategies, and case-based learning for real-world application.

Option B: Water Management During Emergency Situations: Establishing a Plan Before Disaster Strikes
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2:45 PM - 3:45 PM Break Out Sessions:

Option A: Current Topics and Updates on Mosquito-Borne Disease Surveillance and Response
This session offers a timely update on mosquito-borne diseases in Florida, including dengue and emerging threats like Oropouche virus. Public health experts will share surveillance strategies, response protocols, and inter-agency coordination efforts that have proven effective in mitigating risk.

Option B: Infection Control: A Clinical Approach to Sharps Injury Prevention
Discover national trends and strategies for reducing sharps injuries in clinical settings. Using EPINet data, this session provides a data-driven approach to identifying root causes and implementing training programs that lower injury rates and enhance occupational safety.

4:00 PM - 5:00 PM Break Out Sessions:

Option A: RMW & Special Pathogen Waste Management

Dive into the regulatory, compliance, and operational considerations of managing regulated medical waste (RMW), Category A pathogens, and other hazardous materials. This session guides infection preventionists through developing effective waste handling policies and emergency waste response protocols.

Option B: Panel Presentation - New Research & Innovations in Breaking the Chain of Infection

Join a dynamic panel of frontline professionals as they present innovative studies and emerging practices that disrupt transmission pathways in healthcare settings. Learn how new tools, technologies, and methodologies are reshaping infection prevention strategies.

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM Evening Reception with Sponsors

Wrap up the day with an informal networking opportunity. Connect with peers, speakers, and sponsors while enjoying refreshments in a relaxed setting.



Friday September 26, 2025

7:00 AM - 8:00 AM Coffee & Poster Session Review, Foyer

Start the day with coffee and explore innovative research presented in the poster session.

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM Break Out Sessions:

Option A: Advancing Infection Control: Insights from the APIC Research Agenda

Discover how the Association for Professionals in Infection Control and Epidemiology (APIC) is shaping the future of infection prevention through a focused research agenda and strategic advisory efforts.

Option B: Illuminating *C. difficile* Spores to Elevate Healthcare Surface Surveillance Using Microbiological Visualization

Learn about new microbiological techniques that make *Clostridioides difficile* spores visible on surfaces, enabling faster, more effective cleaning and reducing the risk of transmission.

9:15 AM - 10:15 AM Break Out Sessions:

Option A: Evaluation in Infection Prevention - A Case Study Using *Candida auris* Active Surveillance Testing and Impact on Infection Prevention and Control Behaviors

Examine a case study using active surveillance testing for *Candida auris* to evaluate its impact on infection prevention behaviors, guided by updated CDC evaluation methods and behavioral frameworks.

Option B: Panel Presentation - Innovation in Cleaning and Disinfection

Hear from experts on cutting-edge disinfection methods, implementation strategies, and real-world outcomes improving environmental hygiene in healthcare settings.

10:30 AM - 11:00 AM Refreshment Break with Poster Sessions

Network with peers and engage with presenters during the final poster session and refreshment break

11:00 AM - 12:00 PM Closing Keynote

Emergency Management & Infection Prevention

This session highlights preparedness strategies for emerging infectious diseases (EIDs) like Ebola, mpox, and COVID-19. Learn about the Joint Commission's 2024 standards on high-consequence infectious diseases (HCIDs), and gain tools to enhance your facility's emergency response, communication, and readiness.

Presented by:



Terri "T" Rebmann, PhD, RN, CIC, FAPIC

Divisional Dean, School of Nursing
College of Public Health
George Mason University

Vendor Exposition

The FPIC 2025 Vendor Expo offers attendees a unique opportunity to explore the latest innovations in infection prevention. This dynamic showcase brings together leading industry partners who will present cutting-edge products, technologies, and services designed to enhance infection control practices across healthcare settings. From advanced disinfection solutions to data-driven surveillance tools, the expo highlights the future of infection prevention and supports professionals in finding practical, effective tools to strengthen their programs. Attendees are encouraged to engage with exhibitors, ask questions, and discover new resources to bring back to their facilities.

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