



Welcome and Strategic Plan Update

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Strategic Plan

Champion the scientific advancement and practice of infection prevention and control

Elevate Infection Preventionists as essential advocates, leaders, and experts

Foster development of the next generation infection prevention and control workforce

<i>Prioritize, promote, and support infection prevention research</i>	<i>Engage and influence key leaders on the value of the IPC field and profession</i>	<i>Develop and promote pathways to enter the field of IPC</i>
<i>Advance research competency among IP professionals</i>	<i>Strengthen leadership capabilities to enhance the influence of IPs</i>	<i>Develop a nationally recognized career advancement pathway</i>
<i>Develop and disseminate evidence-based best practice guidance for infection prevention and control</i>	<i>Modernize IP staffing guidance to influence employers</i>	<i>Develop strategies to attract new talent</i>
	<i>Influence the policy and regulatory environment to advance infection prevention</i>	<i>Develop strategies to retain existing IPs</i>

- **40% of IPs will be retirement age in 5 years**



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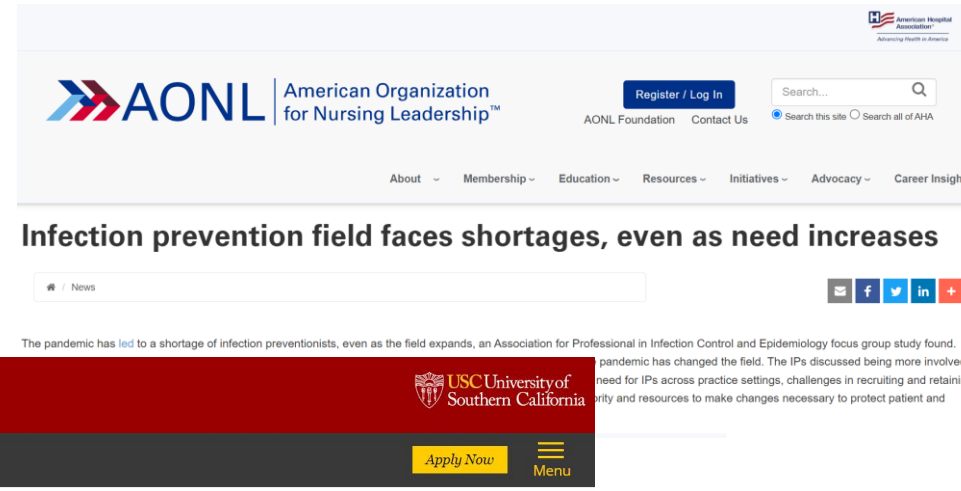
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by Erica Mitchell | September 16 2022 | Hospitals, HAIs, Nurses | 0 Comments

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Infection prevention field faces shortages, even as need increases

News

The pandemic has led to a shortage of infection preventionists, even as the field expands, an Association for Professional in Infection Control and Epidemiology focus group study found. The pandemic has changed the field. The IPs discussed being more involved in patient care, the need for IPs across practice settings, challenges in recruiting and retaining staff, and the need for resources to make changes necessary to protect patient and staff safety.

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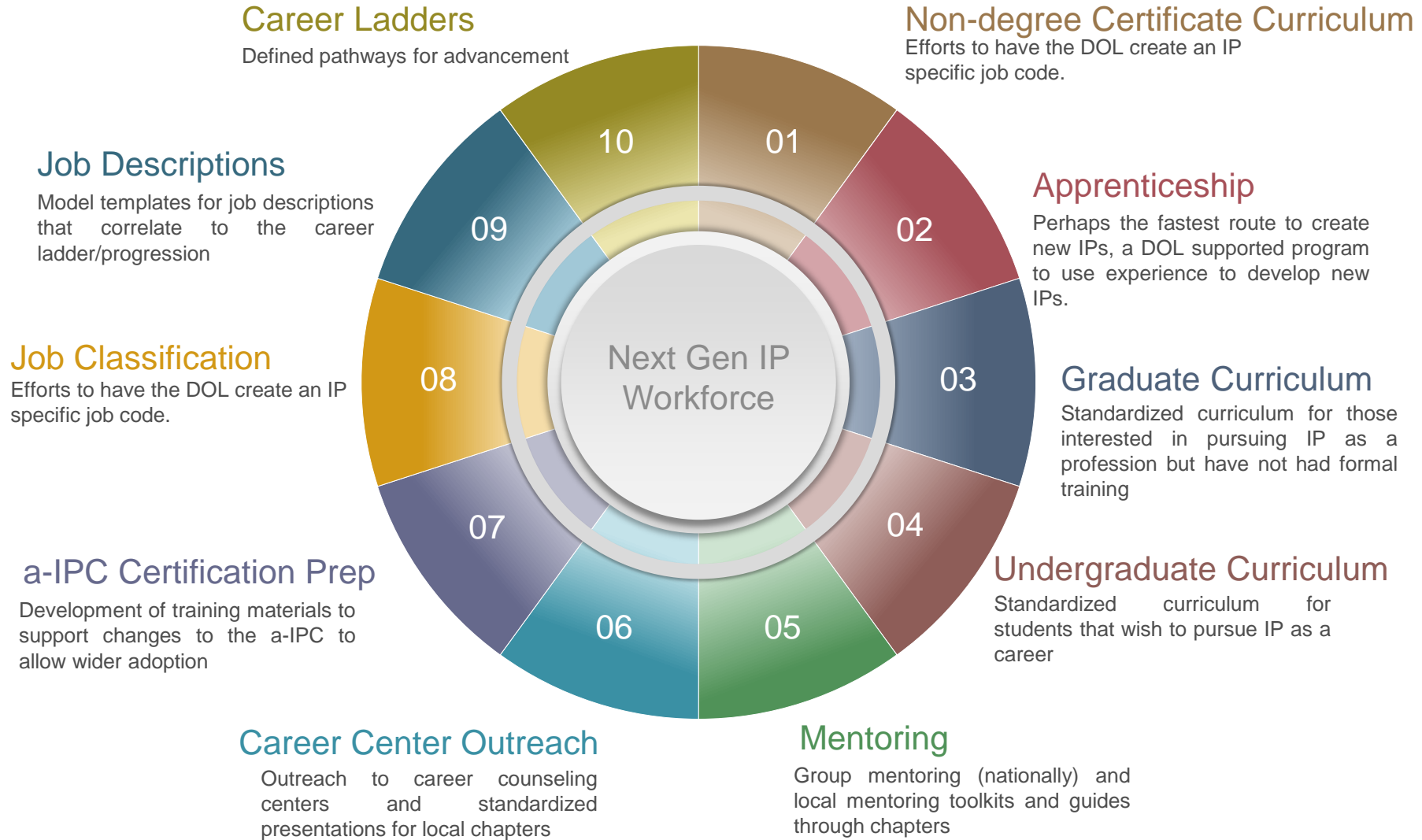


Major Article

APIC Megasurvey 2020: Methodology and overview of results

- 2020 APIC MegaSurvey
 - 2030 respondents (13% response rate)
- Lack of diversity
 - 92% Female
 - 86% Non-Hispanic Whites
 - 78 % Nursing background

Composite View of Workforce Development Efforts



Urgent Need for IPs & IPC Infrastructure in LTC

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 **Coronavirus (COVID-19)**

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Over 200,000 Residents and Staff in Long-Term Care Facilities Have Died From COVID-19

Priya Chidambaram
Feb 03, 2022



More than 200,000 long-term care facility (LTCF) residents and staff have died due to COVID since the start of the pandemic (Figure 1). The CDC's latest update reporting data on nursing home deaths as of January 30th pushes the reported number of deaths over this bleak milestone. This finding comes at a time when the national surge in cases due to the Omicron variant has started to subside, deaths are rising nationwide, and nursing homes have been working to increase vaccination and booster rates among residents and staff, particularly in light of the new federal rule requiring staff vaccination recently allowed to take effect by the Supreme Court. As of January 16th, approximately 82% of nursing home staff and 87% of

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Nursing Homes Struggle to Maximize Value of Infection Preventionists, with Regulatory Scrutiny Increasing

By **Shelby Grebbin** | February 9, 2023

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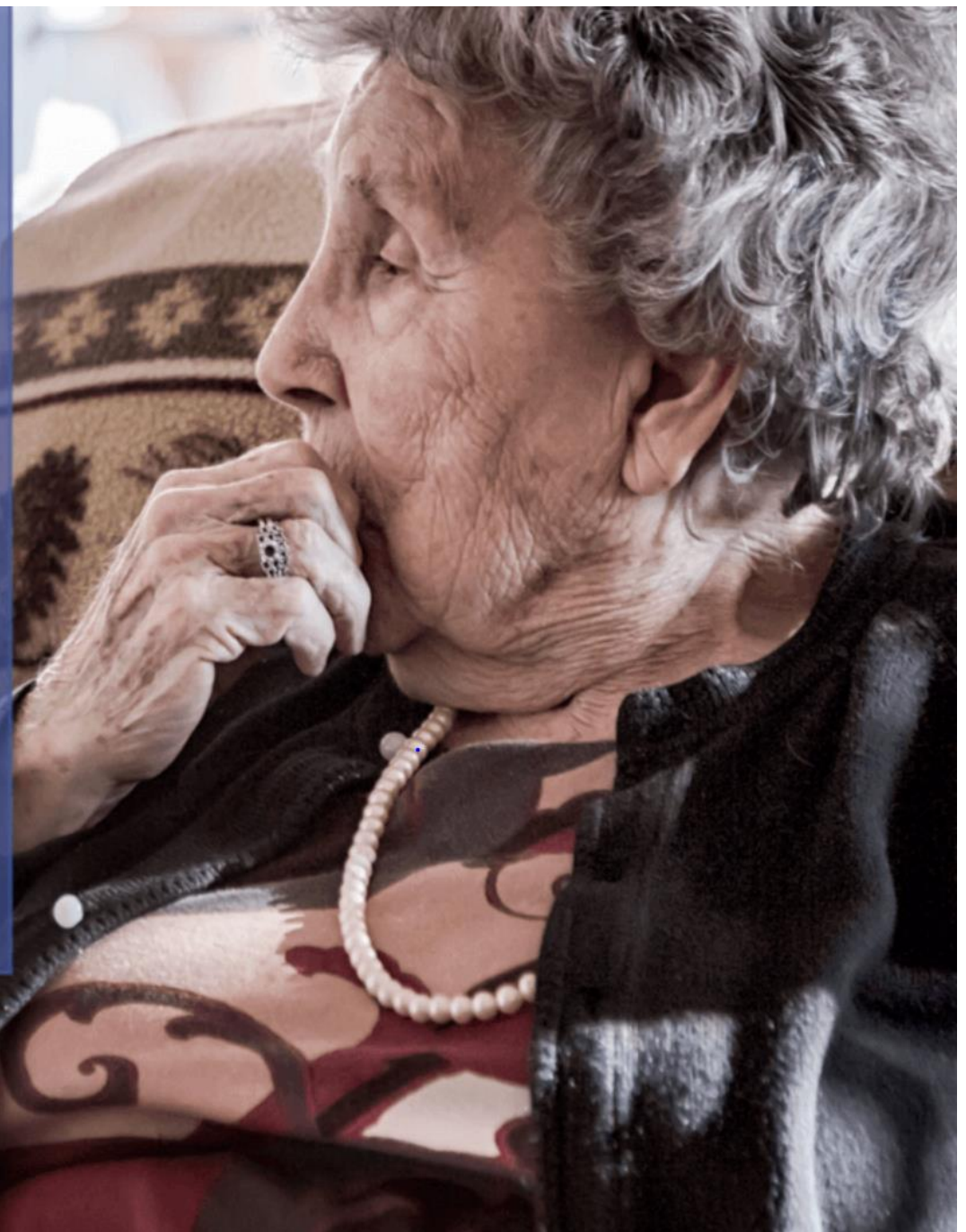
HEALTH NEWS

Deadly fungal infection spreading at an alarming rate, CDC says

The fungus, a type of yeast called *Candida auris*, or *C. auris*, can cause severe illness in people with weakened immune systems.

Why do nursing homes
have lower standards
than hospitals when it
comes to protecting patients?

Take action to
protect our seniors.





Launch of the LTC-CIP Certification & Corresponding Prep Course

Launch of the new LTC-CIP, with over 300 certificants

State Health Departments Training

APIC has been working closely with several state health departments and state healthcare associations to contract around LTC-CIP training for IPs

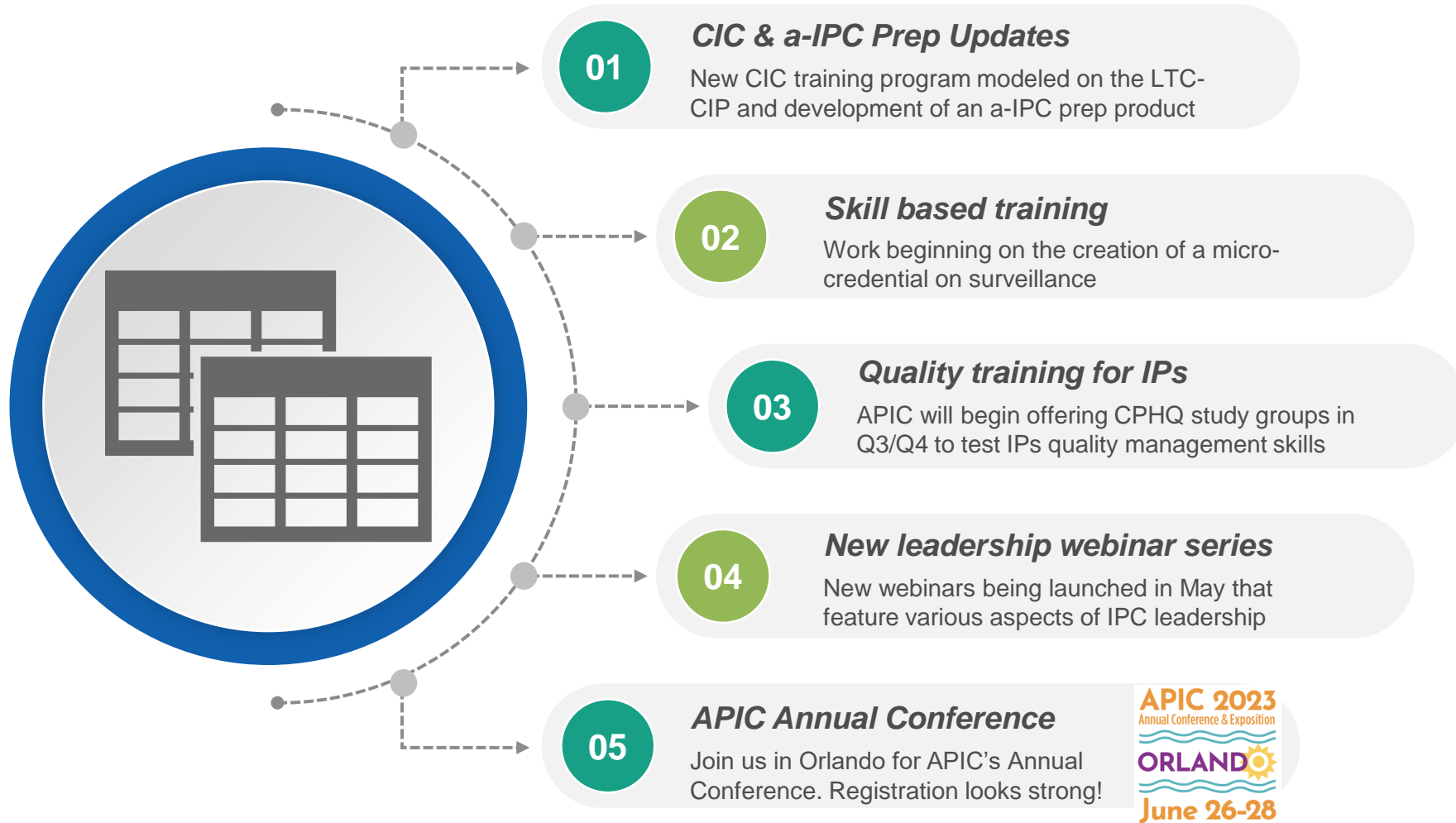
Assisted Living Frontlines Training

Partnering with Argentum, the assisted living trade association, multiple modules will launch Q2/Q3 of this year on IPC basics for front-line workers

Nursing Home IP Community & QI

APIC is partnering with AHCA-NCAL on the launch of a new IP community in nursing homes and serving as a lead consultant for quality improvement efforts across 10 states

Expanding IP Education



Building Diversity, Equity and Inclusion & Building IPC Health Equity for Patients

Health Equity Guidance

Leveraging research, identify practices that can be used to enhance outcomes through the development of IPC guidance for health equity

Health Equity Research

Identify and prioritize core research questions and build understanding of health equity in IPC

Workforce Diversity

Partner with minority serving institutions to foster development of IPs.

APIC Operations

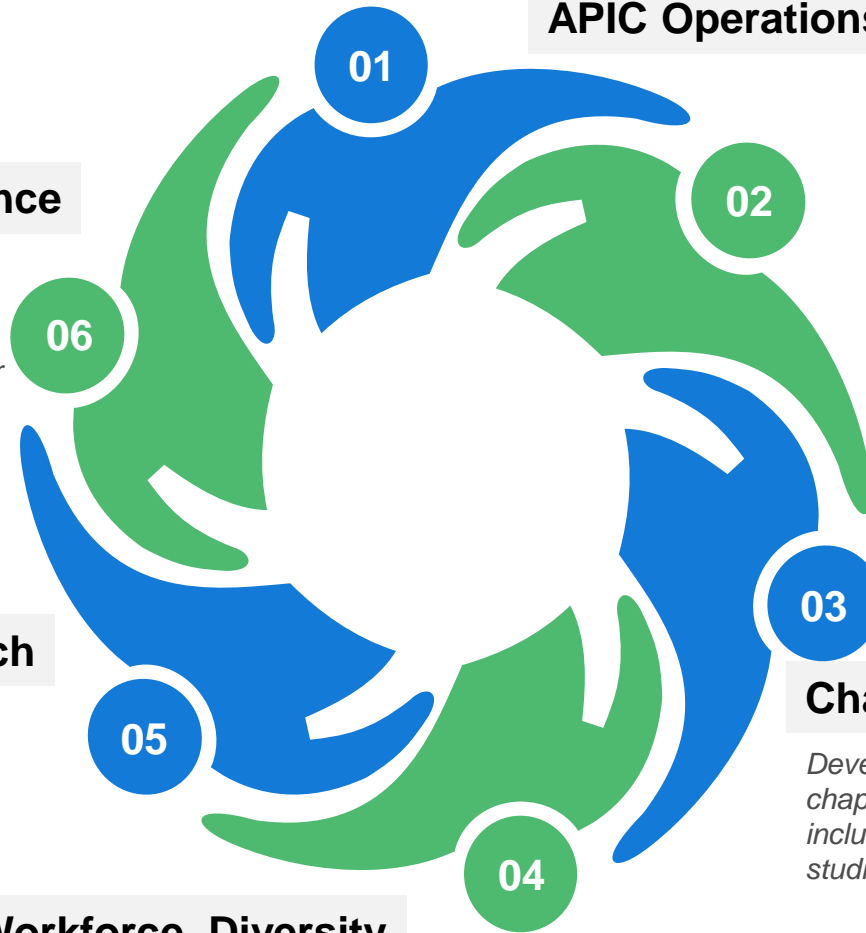
Ensure that diversity, equity and inclusion is embedded into the DNA of APIC's team. Includes training, identification and measurement of progress.

APIC Leadership

Build processes to ensure that APIC leadership and appointments are focused with diversity, equity and inclusion. Tracking and reporting on progress.

Chapters

Develop education materials for chapters on diversity, equity and inclusion and highlight case studies of success.

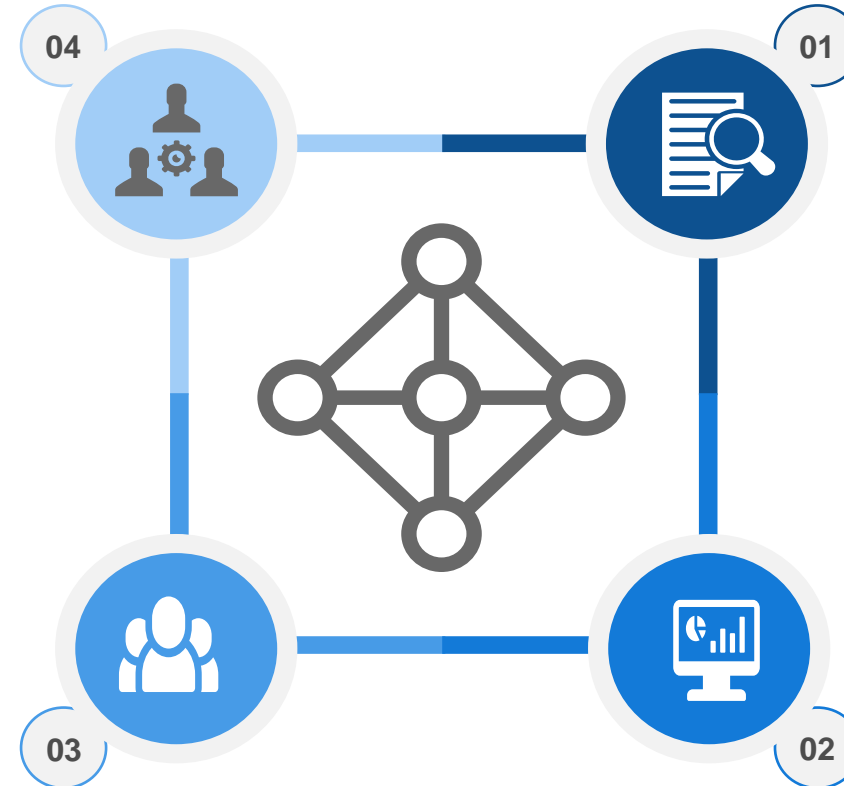


Collaboration

Build a network to foster collaborative research

Agenda Setting

Establish a research agenda for both original APIC research and identify critical questions for the broader IPC profession



Development

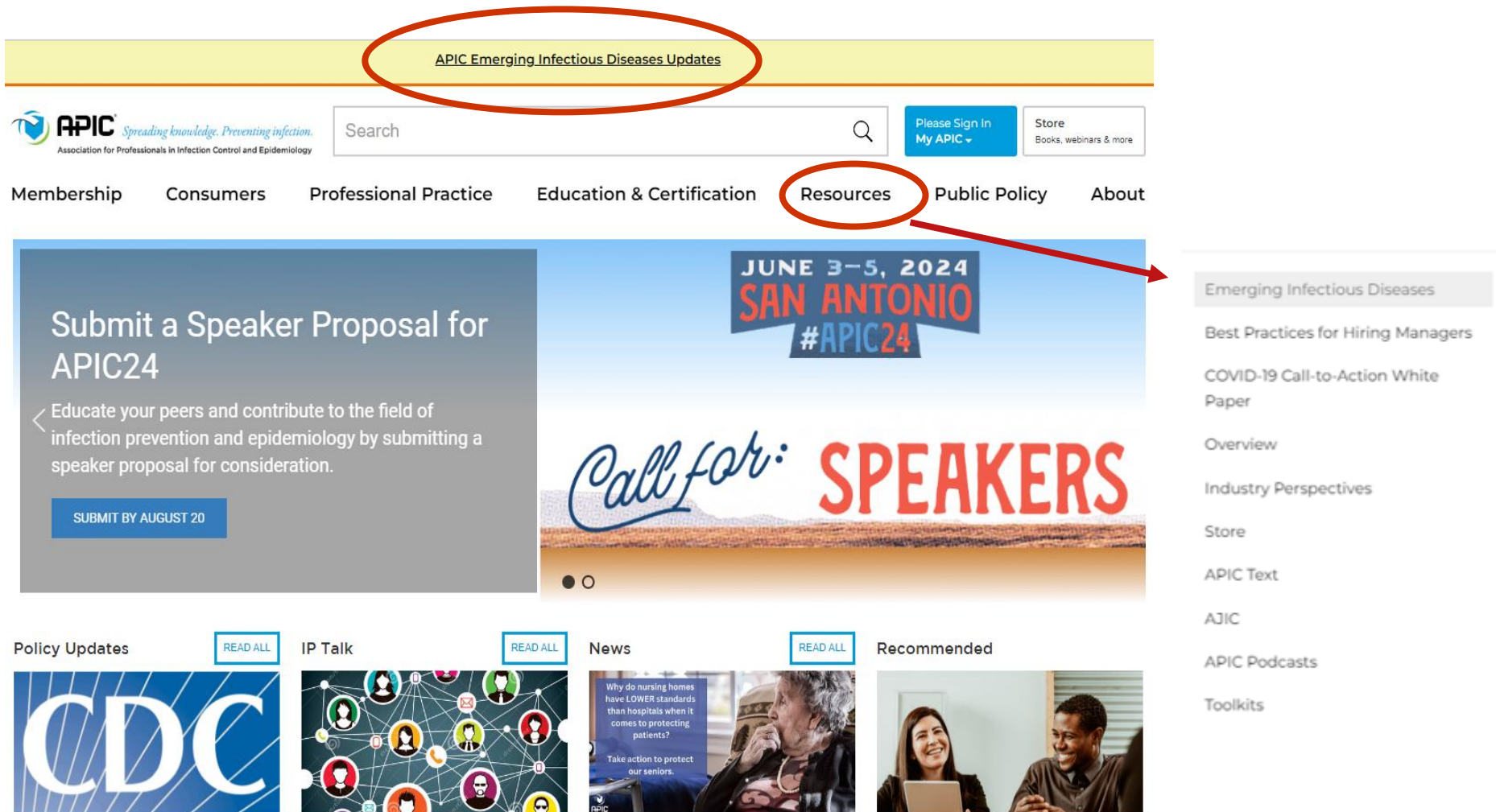
Build the next generation of IPC researchers through mentorship and opportunities for junior researchers

Science to Practice

Leverage data collection and analysis to inform the development and refinement of guidance

- New Executive Director, Dr Rebecca Bartles
- Staffing calculator to be released by the end of the year
- Health equity committee
 - Advance health equity through the lens of OPC
- Developing research agenda for creating IPC science and translating science into practice
- Research mentoring program

<https://apic.org/>



The screenshot shows the APIC website homepage. At the top, a yellow banner contains the text "APIC Emerging Infectious Diseases Updates", which is circled in red. Below this is the APIC logo and tagline "Spreading knowledge. Preventing infection." followed by a search bar, a "Please Sign In My APIC" button, and a "Store" button. The main navigation menu includes "Membership", "Consumers", "Professional Practice", "Education & Certification", "Resources" (circled in red with a red arrow pointing to the right sidebar), "Public Policy", and "About". The main content area features a "Submit a Speaker Proposal for APIC24" section with a "SUBMIT BY AUGUST 20" button, and a "Call for: SPEAKERS" banner for the "JUNE 3-5, 2024 SAN ANTONIO #APIC24" event. Below the main content are sections for "Policy Updates" (with a "READ ALL" button), "IP Talk" (with a "READ ALL" button), "News" (with a "READ ALL" button), and "Recommended". The right sidebar contains a list of resources: "Emerging Infectious Diseases", "Best Practices for Hiring Managers", "COVID-19 Call-to-Action White Paper", "Overview", "Industry Perspectives", "Store", "APIC Text", "AJIC", "APIC Podcasts", and "Toolkits".

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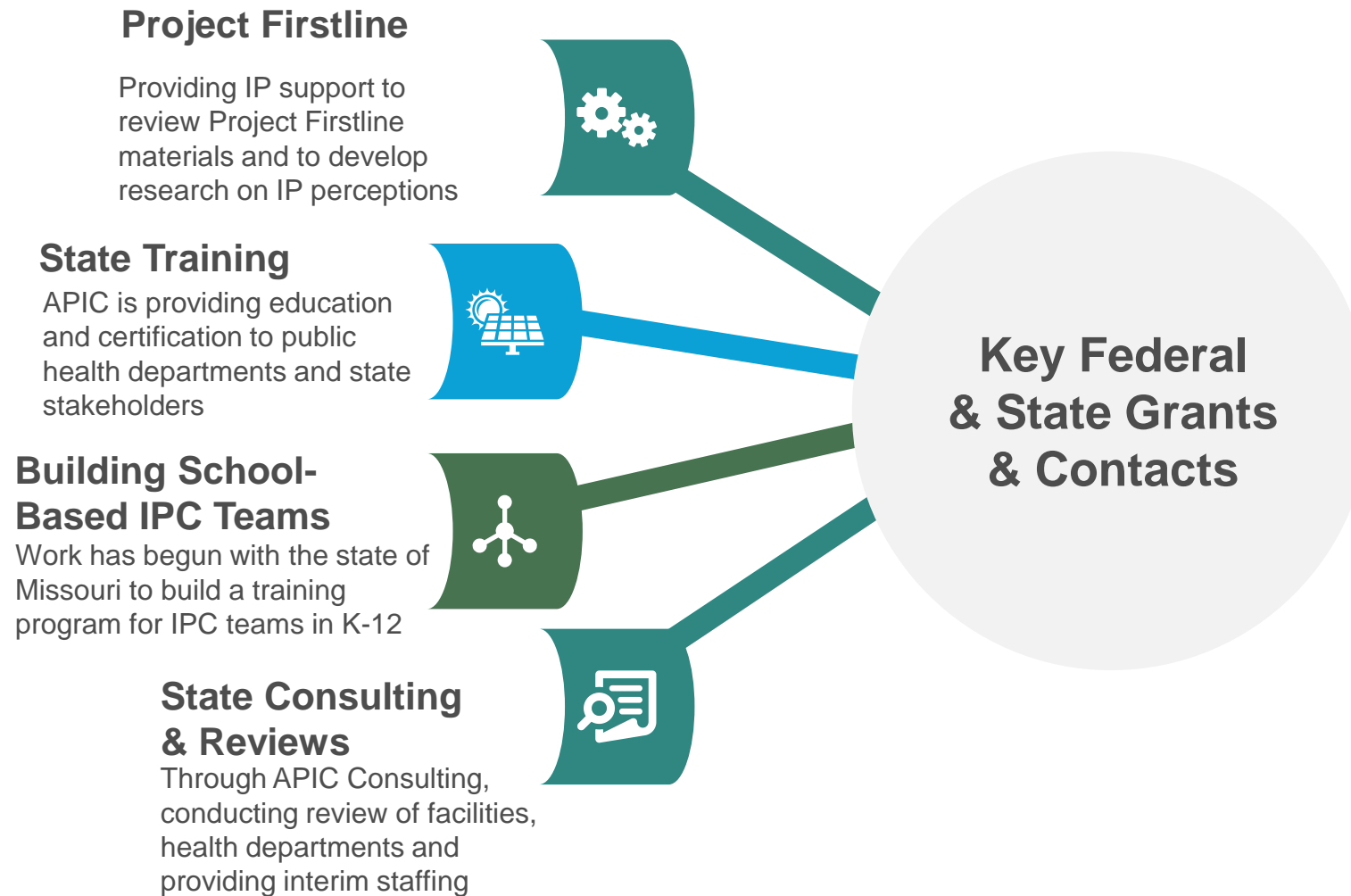
Coming 2023!

New policies and procedures library is designed. The P&Ps allow organizations access to a central platform for the P&Ps, to upload their own (or modifications), or to export into other commercial systems that they may use.



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- 02 Long-term Care
- 03 Ambulatory Surgical Centers

Building IPC Knowledge & Capacity



Whitepaper IFU Strategy

Q3 Delivery

This whitepaper will present results from survey and focus groups and make recommendations for policy and action

Setting Board Level IPC Goals

Q4 Delivery

Will present a framework for how acute care facilities can develop Board level IPC goals, explore case studies, and present models for executive compensation

IPC in Hospital @ Home

Q4 Delivery

Will explore challenges to IPC in hospital @ home and homecare settings and make recommendations for policy and practice

Timeline

QUESTIONS?



ABOUT APIC

Founded in 1972, the Association for Professionals in Infection Control and Epidemiology (APIC) is the leading association for infection preventionists and epidemiologists. With more than 15,000 members, APIC advances the science and practice of infection prevention and control. APIC carries out its mission through research, advocacy, and patient safety; education, credentialing, and certification; and fostering development of the infection prevention and control workforce of the future. Together with our members and partners, we are working toward a safer world through the prevention of infection.

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