The Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) Fellowship* offers you an opportunity to embark on an educational journey into a well-recognised career path as a health care practitioner on various levels. Patients, health care personnel as well as visitors’ safety on home-based and health care facility levels are studied in a structured, outcome-based and practical educational environment during this fellowship.

At the same time, legal and policy parameters (and probably more importantly, actual practices) are looked at in light of increasing individual and population exposure to the risks of infectious diseases. Education and controls in health care sites are therefore critical components of the efforts to contain and prevent infection outbreaks.

To prevent the emergence of multidrug-resistant organisms and the spread of diseases in our hospitals and communities, effective programmes in surveillance, outbreak and prevention control, such as this one, is presented in conjunction with appropriate antimicrobial reaction education.
Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) Fellowship
Presented by Department of Internal Medicine, University of Pretoria

*This fellowship is also presented as one of our Professional Online Development (PODs) offerings and material will be made available two weeks after the respective contact session dates.

**Fellowship topics**
- Learning in public health
- Epidemiology in IPC
- Approach to outbreaks
- Microbiology in IPC
- Antibiotic management
- Disinfection basics
- Guidance to IPC in special populations
- Device related IPC
- Health and Hygiene

Topics are based on the International Federation of Infection Control (IFIC) handbook.

**Learning outcomes**
Emerging and re-emerging infectious diseases are some of the major threats to life on the planet. Current concerns on outbreaks of resistant organisms are also driven by multiple factors of globalisation. The quest for livelihoods and trade, as well as regional conflicts and endemic poverty, has seen an alarming volume and speed of human and animal population movement. This can also be observed in the significant increase of the flow of organic materials within and across national and continental borders which is exponentially increased by technological advances.

Once you have successfully completed the first year of the fellowship, a workplace-based research project will permit you to master research principles as an exit into a follow-up year. The second year of the fellowship is aimed at practical epidemiology and disease control in a master’s degree that will allow you to design disease outbreak responses and isolation procedures for global disaster prevention.

**Who should enrol?**
This fellowship is ideal for you if you are employed as a nurse, medical doctor or other health care practitioner.

**Course fees**
R6 060.00 per delegate (VAT incl.) for enrolment in first year of the fellowship.

**Sponsorship:** Please submit a letter of motivation with your enrolment should you wish to apply for a sponsorship opportunity.

**Admission requirements**
Prospective delegates should at least have a relevant diploma (proof of qualification is required). Delegates with medical degrees will be given preference of admission.

**Assessment**
The fellowship includes four credit-bearing modules (CDC 871, CDC 872, CDC 873 and CDC 874) and successful completion will afford qualifying delegates to enrol for the master’s degree in Public Health (Disease Control) offered by University of Pretoria. (Minimum admission requirements apply.)

**Accreditation and certification**
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