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Regional Clostridium Difficile Conference
November 12, 2009
The College of Physicians of Philadelphia

AGENDA

7:30 AM	**Registration/Visit with Exhibitors**
8:30 AM	**Welcome and Opening Remarks** ▪ Kate Flynn, FACHE, Health Care Improvement Foundation
8:45 AM	**Overview of Conference** ▪ Pam Braun, RN, MSN, Health Care Improvement Foundation
9:00 AM	**Epidemiology and Prevention of *C. difficile* Infection** ▪ Carolyn Gould, MD, MSCR, LCDR, USPHS, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
10:00 AM	**Break/Visit with Exhibitors**
10:15 AM	**Antimicrobial Resistance: Impact on Patient Care** ▪ John Gums, PharmD, FCCP, University of Florida
11:15 AM	**Applying High Reliability Principles to the Prevention of Healthcare-Associated *C. difficile* Infections** ▪ Shannon Sayles, RN, MA, Healthcare Performance Improvement, LLC
12:15 PM	**Lunch/Visit with Exhibitors**
1:15 PM	**Environmental Cleaning:** ▪ **Regional Environmental Cleaning Survey Results** - Jerry Zuckerman, MD, Albert Einstein Healthcare Network - Clare Edelmayer, RN, CIC, Doylestown Hospital ▪ **Best Practices Panel Discussion:** - Paul Buckley, BA, Albert Einstein Healthcare Network - Sue Minnar, CHESP, The Lower Bucks Hospital - Nelson Darrow, HEM, Hahnemann University Hospital - Teresa Vignola, BA, The Lankenau Hospital
2:00PM	**Hand Hygiene Best Practices** ▪ Shahrzad Darvish, RN, BSN, Bryn Mawr Hospital ▪ Andrea Kiernan, MLT, CIC, St. Christopher's Hospital for Children
2:30 PM	**Overview of Collaborative Strategies** ▪ Pam Braun, RN, MSN, Health Care Improvement Foundation ▪ Phenelle Segal, RN, CIC, Infection Control Consulting Services, LLC
3:00 PM	**Conference Adjournment**