

APIC DAILY NEWS

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Welcome to Phoenix

On behalf of the leadership and staff, I would like to welcome you to APIC's 31st Annual Educational Conference and International Meeting!

It is fitting that we are meeting in a city whose name is symbolic of rebirth. That is because of the increased energy and attention now being given to infection prevention and control. In light of new threats from emerging diseases and global terrorist movements, our role in advancing the public health has been elevated. From the SARS outbreak to the IOM report, never before have

we—as a nation—focused on infection prevention as we are today. These developments can change the profession and the practice in ways we can only imagine.

Throughout the conference, you will hear about new developments and methodologies and how your colleagues are addressing the challenges and evolving practice of infection prevention and control. From practical advice given by leading experts in the field to late breaking information on key regulatory issues, the Annual



Kathy Warye

Conference Task Force has created a program that will inform your practice. We also hope that the many networking opportunities will enrich you as a professional and that you will take the opportunity to learn about the latest products, services and technologies from the 167 exhibitors here in Phoenix.

This year, we are debuting the *APIC Daily News*, a free tabloid-style publication made available to you Sunday-Wednesday during the conference. This newsletter gives us a method to communicate last minute developments with you, and also provides a forum for articles, announcements, and exhibitor information. We hope you enjoy this addition to your conference experience. As always, we are interested in your feedback, so feel free to share your thoughts with any APIC employee either onsite, or when you return home.

We thank you for joining us and wish you an educational, informative, and enjoyable experience!

Kathy Warye
APIC Executive Director



Photo: Greater Phoenix CVB

Welcome to Phoenix! The 31st Annual Educational Conference and International Meeting officially kicks off today in this "warm" and beautiful city.

Spotlight on...

APIC Text of Infection Control and Epidemiology, Second Edition

The *APIC Text* is one publication that every ICP needs. It is the embodiment of our practice standards and guidance. The *APIC Text* provides essential information on almost every topic that ICPs face in practice and points readers to sources for additional, in-depth, and/or up-to-the-minute information.

A fully revised second edition of the *APIC Text* will be published this fall. The new edition continues to be the definitive resource for evidence-based clinical standards on infection prevention and patient safety. And the new edition continues to include more than 120 chapters on a variety of topics – IC programs, the infectious process and specific organisms, prevention, occupational health, specific patient populations and practice settings, clinical and support services, the healthcare environment, and public health.

But the newly revised second edition is different in some ways. First, the new edition of the *APIC Text* is easier to manage. The book continues to comprise two volumes, but the first volume is more compact and includes only the 27 "essential" chapters. The new edition also comes with a CD version bundled inside every copy. The CD has an interactive navigation system to quickly locate information by topic, chapter, key word, or author. And the CD includes dozens of essential references (guidelines, pamphlets,

official documents), along with thousands of hyperlinks to reference materials and Internet resources.

Free Demo CD

You can preview the new edition of the *APIC Text* on a the demo CD available free to every conference participant. Pick up your copy at the Resource Center or the *APIC Text* Booth in the APIC Showcase!! The demo CD includes more than a dozen sample chapters, a tutorial on the new interactive navigation and search functions, and a link to our online ordering system.

Celebrate the *APIC Text*

Ruth Carrico, Editor of the *APIC Text*, and the members of the *Text Re-*

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Exhibit Hall Opens Tonight

Please join APIC's 2004 President Jeanne Pfeiffer and your colleagues for the official start of the Conference and the opening of the Exhibit Hall.

5:30 PM-7:45 PM
Sunday, June 6
Exhibit Hall C/D/E

Food and beverages will be provided as you peruse the Exhibit Hall floor where hundreds of our corporate colleagues will be available to discuss their products and services. For the first time ever, exhibitors will have the opportunity to provide continuing education from their booths!

We look forward to seeing you there.

Silent Auction Back by Popular Demand

The Silent Auction is back by popular demand! The Research Foundation has brought back one of the most fun events of the APIC Annual Conference. The Silent Auction offers a wonderful opportunity to have fun and benefit the Research Foundation. Mini vacation getaways, artwork, gift baskets and home décor are some of the impressive items available for bidding at this year's

Silent Auction. Make sure to check out items up for auction that you can enjoy while in Phoenix!

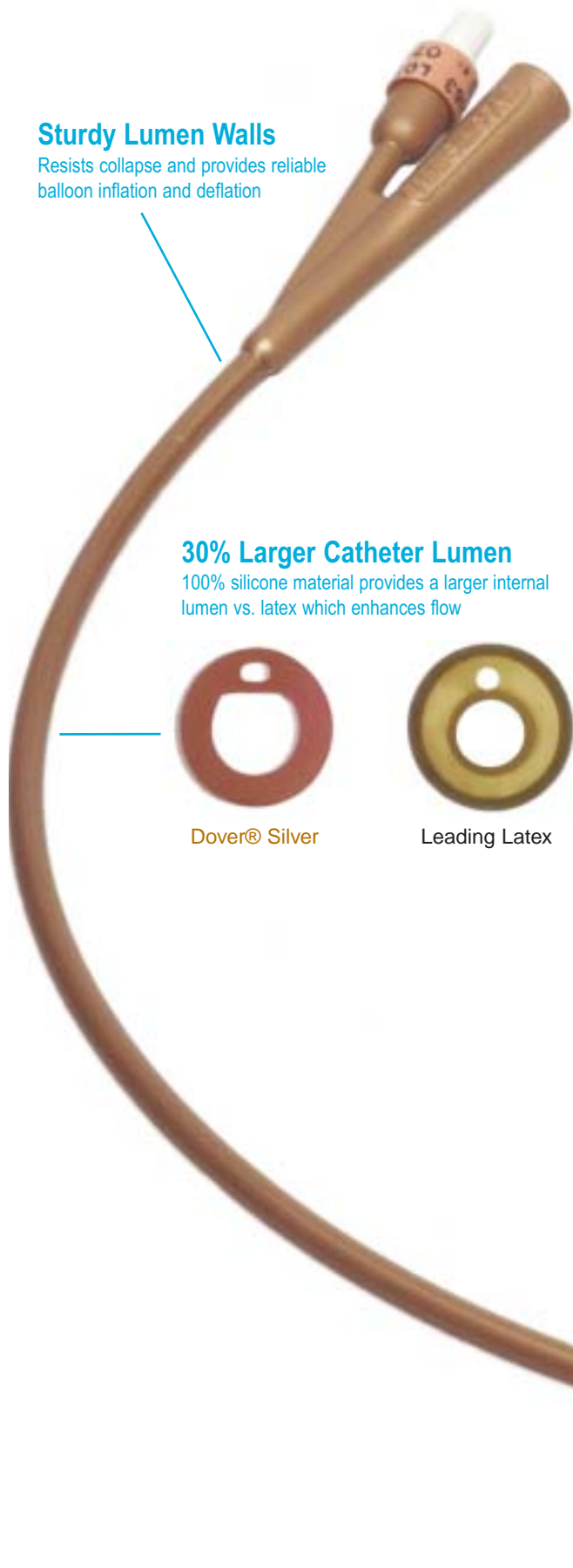
The Silent Auction will take place in the APIC 2004 Exhibit Hall during all open hours on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday. A listing of the 1st and 2nd highest bidders will be announced in Wednesday's edition of the *APIC Daily News*. Good luck!

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catheters.*
* -- *Balloon Cuffing and Management of the Entrapped Foley Catheter, Mark L. Gonzalo and Patrick Walsh, Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions, Baltimore, MD; Urology -- The Surgeon's Workshop, April 2003*

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Conference Survival Tips

Plan – Plan – Plan Ahead

If you are organized ahead of time, it saves a lot of confusion and last-minute decision making.

Read Poster Abstracts

Read abstracts as soon as you can since many poster sessions will be 11:30 AM – 2:30 PM, Monday, June 7, when exhibits and other activities are taking place. Decide which ones are “musts” for you and mark those in your book and onto your daily calendar. Remember, abstracts are not recorded and they offer the forum to discuss the presenter’s work one-on-one, which provides a wealth of information from our peers!

Bring a Highlighter

Bring Sweaters, Socks, and Comfortable Walking Shoes

Meeting rooms in convention centers are often either too COLD or too warm. Plus, since all hotels are within walking distance from the convention center, comfortable walking shoes are essential.

Bring Business Cards (for networking, exhibit hall, new friends)

Bring Return Address Labels (especially if you don’t have business cards. It saves writing your name and address so much)

What You Don’t Need, Leave at the Hotel

Leave everything from your purse that you won’t need during the day at your hotel to avoid having to carry it and for security reasons. In fact, if possible, leave the whole purse; a small shoulder strap purse or fanny-pack is ideal. Many hotels offer free safe deposit boxes. Take advantage of those for airline tickets, money, etc., that you don’t need to carry all week.

Review Your Conference Packet Materials ASAP After You Register

You don’t want to miss any special meetings, sessions, etc. Every-

thing may not have been published in other brochures or online, plus new events or information often gets added at the last minute.

Exhibit Hall

Make a list of exhibitors and products you definitely don’t want to miss in the Exhibit Hall and highlight those booth numbers on your Exhibit Hall map so you can find them easily.

Prepare Ahead of Time

At least daily, review session course descriptions and objectives for the next day. Purchasing a tape for later listening can free you up for another session when multiple sessions of interest occur during the same time period.

Relax and enjoy. You’re in for a great experience!

Postconference JCAHO: New Standards...New Process

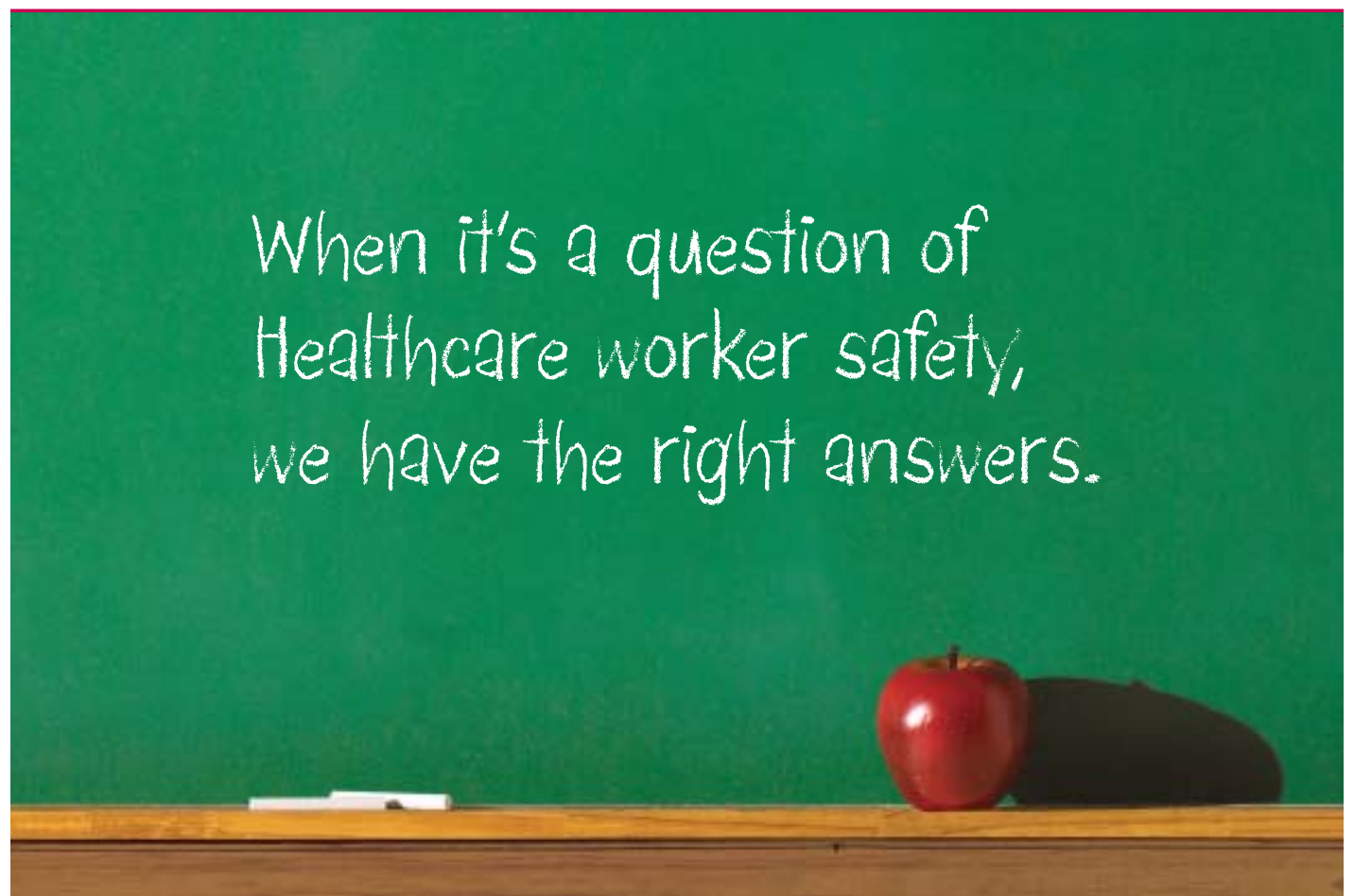
It's January, 2005 and the Joint Commission is at your facility... Are you ready?

JCAHO: New Standards... New Process

Thursday, June 10th, 1:00 - 5:00 PM

Presenter: JCR Consultant Leslie LaBelle, RN, MSN, MBA, CPHQ

Interested in real-life solutions to the real-life challenges that compliance with the new JCAHO Standards on Infection Control will bring? Then don’t miss the APIC 2004 Postconference. Leslie LaBelle’s explanation of Infection Control and Tracer Methodology will increase both your knowledge and your comfort level about preparation for the accreditation survey. Leslie will use her experience as a Surveyor, her vast knowledge of healthcare processes and her expertise as an educator to help you become a valuable asset to your organization. Leslie LaBelle will provide information that is relevant and applicable to your infection control practice.



Submitting APIC Daily News copy

Do you have information that you would like to share with all conference attendees in the *APIC Daily News*? If so, please submit your copy to Brenda Welch by 3:00 PM *the day before* you wish the item be published. Remember, this conference newspaper will be distributed Sunday-Wednesday during the conference.

Brenda Welch will be stationed at the Resource Center (located in the Phoenix Civic Plaza Convention Center, in Lobby Two) and accepting *APIC Daily News* submissions during the following days/times: Sunday, June 6, 12:00 - 5:00 PM; Monday, June 7, 7:00 - 6:00 PM; and Tuesday, June 8, 7:00 - 5:00 PM

Handwritten copy is accepted, but please be sure it is legible so your message can be published.

The Introcan Safety® IV Catheter and Surecan® Safety Huber Needle. All you have to do is use them.

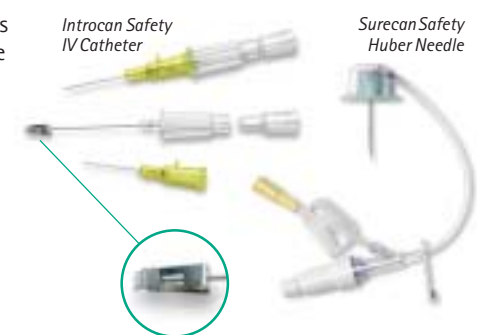
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APIC/Kimberly-Clark Collaborations

Kimberly-Clark is committed to the support and education of infection control professionals through a variety of collaborations with APIC. At this conference alone, Kimberly-Clark has contributed to:

The 2nd Annual State of the Science Lecture (Sponsored by the Research Foundation and Kimberly-Clark)

10:30 AM – 11:30 AM
Monday, June 7

Kimberly-Clark was the original sponsor of the 1st Annual State of the Science Lecture in partnership with the APIC Research Foundation. This year they will once again partner to sponsor the 2nd Annual State of the Science Lecture. The speaker will be William R. Jarvis, MD, former Director, Office of Extramural Research, National Center for Infectious Diseases, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The purpose of the State of Science Lecture is to summarize the seminal scientific reports or studies published in the past year that pertain to patient safety, infection control or healthcare epidemiology.

The Chapter Officers' Luncheon

11:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Sunday, June 6

Hyatt Regency, Room AB

The Georgetown University Healthcare Leadership Institute Scholarship

Kimberly-Clark will provide free registration and APIC will provide the travel expenses to a member of APIC and a colleague from the same facility to attend a week-long course, July 11-16, 2004, on the campus of Georgetown University, Washington, DC. The winner will be announced at the Awards Luncheon, 12:30 PM – 2:30 PM, Monday, June 7, at the Hyatt Regency.

International Infection Control Week

For the second year in a row, Kimberly-Clark will be the exclusive sponsor of 2004 International Infection Control Week (IICW).

October is only a few months away, which means it is time to start preparing for International Infection Control Week. Look to APIC and Kimberly-Clark to provide you with the latest armory of tools in the 2004 IICW Resource Kit, which will be made available exclusively from APIC. These tools are designed to help you inform other healthcare workers, patients and the general public about the importance of infection control and prevention and empower them to take control.

The Kimberly-Clark Knowledge Network is a dynamic collection of quality educational resources that include: peer reviewed publications, national conferences and symposia, highly qualified speaker presentations, and professionally designed programs facilitated by sales representatives. Most of these resources are accredited and provide Continuing Education Units (CEUs). Two of the best known national conferences in the Kimberly-Clark Knowledge Network include the prestigious Georgetown University Healthcare Leadership Institute and the highly respected Conference on Infectious Diseases, which APIC will co-sponsor for the first time with AORN and Kimberly-Clark. The conference features nationally recognized experts as speakers. We invite you to visit the Kimberly-Clark Knowledge Network, at <http://www.kchealthcare.com/knindex.asp>.

The Kimberly-Clark Healthcare Business, headquartered in Roswell, GA, manufactures and markets surgical drapes, gowns, sterilization wrap and

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pouches, personal protective apparel and face masks, and patient care products. With the acquisition of the Safeskin Corporation in 2000, Kimberly-Clark added disposable gloves to its product portfolio and now offers head-to-toe protection for healthcare workers. The company also acquired Ballard Medical Products, a leader in the medical device field with its lines of closed suction catheters, enteral feeding tubes, and a variety of pain management products. More recently the company acquired a state-of-the-art technology for patient temperature management. For more information, call 1-800-KC-HELPS in the United States.

Kimberly-Clark Professional, also headquartered in Roswell, GA, manufactures and markets a wide portfolio of antimicrobial cleansers and instant hand sanitizers designed to encourage frequent handwashing. For more information call their Customer Solution Center at 1-888-346-GOKC, or go to <http://www.kcprofessional.com>.

Enjoy the Conference Safely!

- Due to conference security, attendees will be directed back to the registration desk if they are not wearing their conference ID badge.
- An APIC conference badge is required for all conference sessions, social events, and the exhibit hall. However, for your safety, remove your conference badge outside the meeting sites. The badge advertises that the wearer is a visitor and not familiar with their surroundings. Walk with another person rather than alone.
- Avoid alleys, walkways between buildings, and deserted parking lots.
- Remain alert and aware of your surroundings, and carry your handbag in front of you. Only take what you absolutely need.

- Keep a copy of your travel papers in a safe place.
- When checking in your hotel room, ask the bell person to stay until you inspect the closets, behind curtains, and under the bed.
- Use every locking device while you are in your hotel room. Close the door every time you leave, even if you're just going down the hallway to get ice.
- Always use the peephole to identify visitors before opening the door.
- Let anyone in the hallway pass before you open or unlock your door.
- Know where the emergency exits are located and count the number of doors between your room and the emergency exit.



(Photo: Greater Phoenix CVB)

Bank One Ballpark is the home of the Arizona Diamondbacks, who close out a three-game series with the L.A. Dodgers today at 1:35 PM.

Phoenix – Visitors' Information

Surrounded by the scenic landscape of the Sonoran Desert, Phoenix provides the excitement of the Old West within a thriving metropolitan area brimming with cultural activity. More than three dozen luxurious resorts are scattered throughout the Valley, many of which provide spectacular spas that offer special treatments native to Arizona.

Recognized worldwide for its broad range of outdoor recreational opportunities such as golf, biking and hiking, Greater Phoenix provides more than 325 days of sunshine annually. More than 200 picturesque golf courses helped earn Greater Phoenix the title of "Golf Capital of the World" from the National Golf Foundation. For adventurers, the options are limitless – including Jeep tours, hot-air balloon rides above spectacular scenery, horseback riding and rock climbing.

When it's time for fun and relaxation, get out and see a show, symphony or

ballgame in Downtown – Copper Square, visit museums filled with Native American art and history, and enjoy incredible culinary delights. As one of only eight US cities to field teams in all four major professional sports, Greater Phoenix is a sports haven. At the same time, the Valley is truly a shopper's paradise with fabulous malls, unique boutiques, art galleries, antique shops and outlet centers.

With so many ways to keep busy, or simply lounge out and do nothing at all, it's easy to see why visitors find themselves completely satisfied in Greater Phoenix.

For detailed information regarding tours, activities, cultural events or museums in the Greater Phoenix area, please stop by the Convention & Visitors Bureau concierge desk located in Lobby Two, near the APIC 2004 Registration desk.

Reprinted from the Greater Phoenix CVB Visitor Information web page.

A Night Beneath The Desert Sky

Wednesday, June 9, 7:00 PM – 10:00 PM

Join your fellow APIC 2004 attendees for a fabulous, relaxing evening at the picturesque Heritage Square in fun, downtown Phoenix. Located only a short walk away from all conference hotels, the evening will feature a delicious buffet dinner, music and entertainment by one of the most popular bands in Phoenix, and line dancing (with instruction) after dinner.

Professional instructors will be teaching the Cowboy Boogie, Electric Slide, Shuffle and Cotton-Eyed Joe. It's

the only event planned for this evening, so everyone will be there! Wind up your APIC 2004 experience with this terrific night of fun, fellowship and good food.

Cost: \$40/person

If there are tickets available, you may purchase tickets to the social event at the APIC 2004 Registration desk before 1:00 PM on Wednesday, June 9. All ticket sales will end after 1:00 PM on Wednesday. Tickets are nonrefundable. Should you wish to sell or give away your tickets, you may use the message board in the registration area to post a notice.

ACTF Thank You

The APIC National Office would like to thank the 2004 Annual Conference Task Force for this year's annual conference program! It has been a privilege working with all of the task force members on this project for the last 18 months—the results of which have culminated into this exciting four-day

meeting. It is truly an honor to serve members like these who answer the call of leadership in this association.

Again, on behalf of APIC, we wish to extend our sincerest thanks, and we look forward to working with all of the task force members on future conferences and courses!

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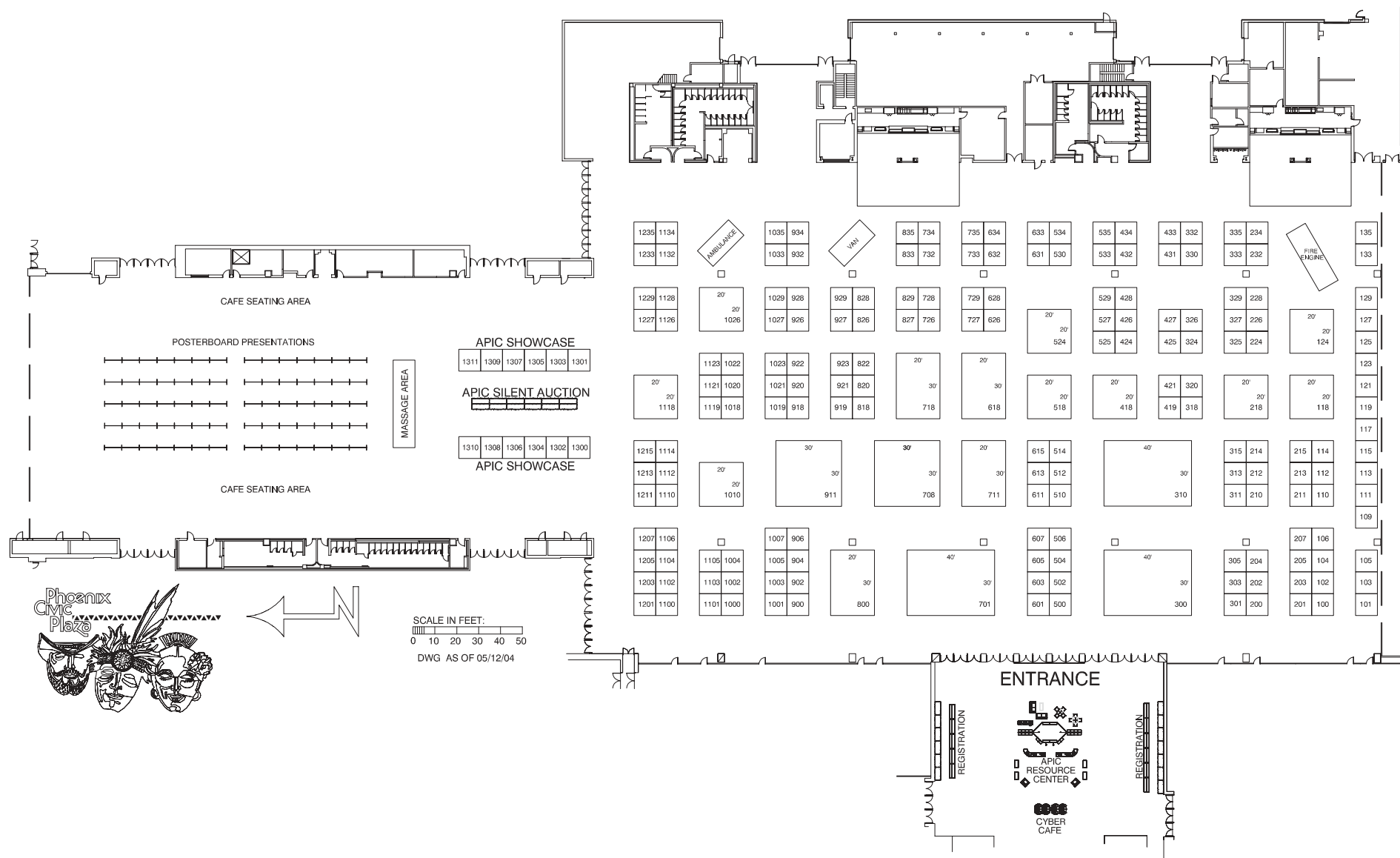
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Exhibit Hall Floor Plan Phoenix Civic Plaza Halls C-D-E

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Monday, June 7: 11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday, June 8: 11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.



APIC's Newly-Enhanced Web site Goes Live June 6

Attractive site offers wide range of easily accessible content to members, consumers and other constituencies

APIC will introduce its newly revamped Web site (www.apic.org) at its upcoming Annual Conference, in Phoenix, Arizona.

According to APIC President Jeanne Pfeiffer, RN, MPH, CIC, "The new site is streamlined, easy to navigate, colorful, and offers an abundance of timely and essential information for our members and other healthcare professionals." She noted that the site also has been designed to attract consumers, policy makers and corporations.

Overseen by a task force headed by Gayle Gilmore, RN, MA, MIS, CIC, APIC's enhanced site provides members with the ability to:

- Update personal information online
- Participate in various e-mail "communities"
- Access current and back issues of *AJIC* and *APIC News*
- Search job listings and Chapter activities.

Attend the Annual Business Meeting

We encourage all APIC members attending the 31st Annual Educational Conference and International Meeting, June 6-10, 2004, in Phoenix, AZ, to join us at the APIC Business Meeting.

5:00 PM-6:00 PM

Tuesday, June 8, 2004

Convention Center, Room 11-15

"This 3rd generation Web site will have power (speed), up-to-date content (what you need), and improved functionality (to find what you want)," Gilmore said.

According to Ms. Pfeiffer, "More than ever before, apic.org is an interactive forum, in which our members can easily exchange ideas on the latest trends and issues in infection control." Members of committees and other leadership groups have access to restricted sections of the site, including lists and reports. They also are able to comment on draft documents, thanks to an advanced content management system, which allows for easy posting – and constant updating – of information on the site.

APIC members are encouraged to visit the Resource Center during the Annual Conference and experience first-hand the improved graphics, navigation and expanded services on APIC's new Web site.

Only APIC members may attend the meeting. Associate members may attend, but cannot vote. All questions and items for discussion at the Business Meeting must be submitted in writing by noon, Tuesday, June 8, at the APIC Resource Center or the APIC 2004 Conference Office (Room 21).

Thank You to EAC

APIC would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to the companies that take time to participate in the Exhibitors Advisory Committee (EAC). Twice each year, EAC members take time out of their busy schedules to attend meetings and provide APIC with important insights into making the APIC Conference better for both attendees and exhibitors.

Membership in the EAC is limited to Patron members. If you are interested in becoming either a Patron member or a member of the EAC, please contact APIC's Director of Marketing and Communications, Diana Buttram, at 202/789-1890 or via e-mail at: dbuttram@apic.org.

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vision Committee invite all contributors to the *Text* to celebrate their hard work. The *Text* Committee will serve up slices of “Text cake” at the *APIC Text* booth in the *APIC Showcase*.

Text Cake

Tuesday, June 8: 1:00 -1:30 PM
APIC Showcase, Exhibit Hall C

Contribute to the *APIC Text*

The *APIC Text* is indispensable to many ICPs. Not surprisingly, ICPs are indispensable to the *APIC Text*, too! We rely on hundreds of volunteer sec-

tion editors, authors, and reviewers to keep the *APIC Text* under constant review and revision to ensure that it is accurate, up-to-date, and useful.

You can learn more about how you can contribute this process at an informational session on Thursday morning. *APIC Text* Editor Ruth Carrico will review the *APIC Text* revision pro-

cess, highlight how the *Text* has evolved during this most recent revision, and provide an overview of the elements involved in a manuscript/chapter review.

Contributing to the APIC Text – Informational Session

Thursday, June 10: 7:00 – 7:50 AM
Convention Center, Ballroom

EXHIBITOR NEWS

B. Braun Introduces Introcan Safety^(R) IV Catheter and Surecan^(R) Huber Needle

When it's a question of healthcare worker safety, B. Braun has the right answers. The Introcan Safety^(R) IV Catheter and Surecan^(R) Huber Needle. All you have to do is use them.

The passive Introcan Safety IV Catheter is designed to minimize accidental needlesticks without requiring user activation. A stainless steel clip is used to shield the needle tip. The passive design eliminates risk of inadvertent activation while offering a short learning curve with minimal in-service training. Compliance is

virtually assured since the safety mechanism cannot be bypassed. A syringe can be pre-attached to the Introcan Safety IV Catheter to facilitate aspiration and injection during insertion. Introcan Safety is available in a wide range of gauges and lengths, in PUR and FEP, with or without wings to help meet safety compliance initiatives.

The passive Surecan^(R) Safety Huber Needle infusion set is designed to minimize accidental needlesticks when accessing subcutaneously im-

planted ports. Most often, the Huber needle is used in conjunction with IV administration of chemotherapy and other injectable drugs. A stainless steel safety clip automatically shields the Huber needle tip as it is withdrawn from the base plate, eliminating the risk of rebound effect needlestick injuries. Compliance is virtually assured since the safety mechanism is automatically activated upon needle withdrawal.

Take Action. Be Passive. Come to booth #327 and learn more.

New Safety Syringe from Terumo Medical

SurGuard2 has a built-in safety feature to comply with the latest OSHA regulations. The key advantages of these safety devices include:

- one-handed activation for ease of use,
- bevel alignment with the safety sheath, which is especially helpful for TB and other low angle injections,
- one of the broadest product lines, with 18 sizes of syringes, and 18 sizes of needles, including 25Gauge x 1 1/2" and 30G x 1/2" needles.

In addition, Terumo Medical has full line of sharps safety devices to reduce the risk of accidental needlesticks, including *Surshield*TM Safety Winged Needle sets, available for blood collection or infusion. *Surshield* Safety Winged Needle sets utilize a safety sheath with a unique locking mechanism that is easily activated with one hand. Stop by the Terumo Medical booth (#428), for demonstration and product samples.

New 3M Service Helps Health Care Facilities Comply With OSHA Respiratory Protection Standard

3M announces introduction of a new Respiratory Protection Compliance Service to help healthcare facilities meet requirements of the OSHA Respiratory Protection Standard, 29 CFR1910.134.

3M Respiratory Compliance Protection Service is a convenient, fee-based service that handles respirator medical evaluation questionnaires, respiratory protection training and on-site fit testing.

“When OSHA applied this standard to healthcare facilities earlier this year, many of our clients asked questions about compliance including the cost and time required to meet the

standard,” said Janet Prust, marketing manager for 3M Hospital Consulting Services. “This service helps our customers with an accessible, cost-effective and easy-to-administer solution.”

Using the 3M service, the OSHA required respirator medical evaluations questionnaire can be completed promptly, either online or through the mail. The company provides respirator medical evaluation services for all brands and types of respirators.

Because OSHA mandates employee training prior to wearing a respirator and annually thereafter, 3M includes a training component in its service. Training is conducted

through an interactive, online program that maximizes learning and facilitates record keeping. 3M also offers onsite qualitative or quantitative respirator fit testing, user seal check training and all necessary documentation related to fit testing.

“Our Respiratory Protection Service can take a big burden off health care facilities,” says Bartz, “So they can keep their focus on quality of patient care.”

For more information on 3M Respiratory Protection Service, call the 3M Health Care Customer Helpline at 800-228-3957. You may also reach us by e-mail at healthcare@3M.com, or at <http://www.3M.com/hcconsulting>.

Kendall's New Silver Foley Catheter Technology

The benefits of silicone have been well documented over the last 30 years. Additionally, silver technologies have been shown to improve patient outcomes in a variety of applications.

Kendall recognized these benefits by joining the DOVER 100% silicone catheter with a next generation patented ionic silver technology. The result is the new DOVER SILVER 100% silicone family of urological products.

Proven properties associated with the DOVER SILVER product line are reductions of urethral irritation, encrustation, and urethral discharge as well as improved catheter durability and irrigation performance. Additionally, these catheters eliminate latex sensitivity concerns and can remain indwelling for a longer duration as compared to latex based catheters*.

Launched July 2003, DOVER SILVER catheters and trays have

eclipsed more than one million dollars in sales. This momentum continues as more healthcare professionals realize the benefits of a next generation ionic silver technology coupled with a 100% silicone Foley catheter platform.

**Balloon Cuffing and Management Of The Entrapped Foley Catheter, Mark L. Gonzalo and Patrick Walsh, Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions, Baltimore, MN; Urology – The Surgeon's Workshop, April 2003*

Low-cost infection control – no longer an oxymoron

Every year, the CDC (Center for Disease Control) reports frightening figures related to the costs associated with nosocomial infections. Therefore, it should come as no surprise that Kendall has made infection control a top priority for its wound care product center.

AMDTM wound care products in-

corporate an effective antimicrobial agent into such established brands as KERLIXTM, TELFATM, and EXILONTM. The result is an infection control dressing that seamlessly integrates into existing wound care protocol. Currently, sales of AMD products are growing at a rate twice that of the market as clinicians learn how AMD dressings can help reduce cost of care and improve patient outcomes!

Millions of patients each year acquire an infection during their hospital stay at an average cost of \$3,500 per patient treated. Currently, nosocomial infections are the fourth leading cause of Hospital Death. The AMD family of products is a cost-effective solution for helping to prevent nosocomial infections that is rapidly setting new standards for infection control professionals.

Low-cost infection control is no longer an oxymoron.

BD Matching Gift Booth

If you've attended an APIC Conference before, then you know that in-

fection control professionals are a little bit wild



at heart. Our group loves to have a good time. What better way to celebrate the freedom of the wide open desert than by taking a spin on a Harley?

Visit the BD Matching Gift Booth and make a donation to the Research Foundation, then hop onto the Harley-Davidson and have your photo taken as you drive off down a windy road simulated on a backdrop of a living postcard from Phoenix.

The theme of this year's BD Matching Booth is “On the road to safety.” For every \$2 donated to the Research Foundation, BD will match \$5, up to \$5,000. After your photo is handed to you, you will be given a ticket to redeem a donor ribbon at the Research Foundation Booth. See you on the road!

Here's one place you'll want to tour in Phoenix.

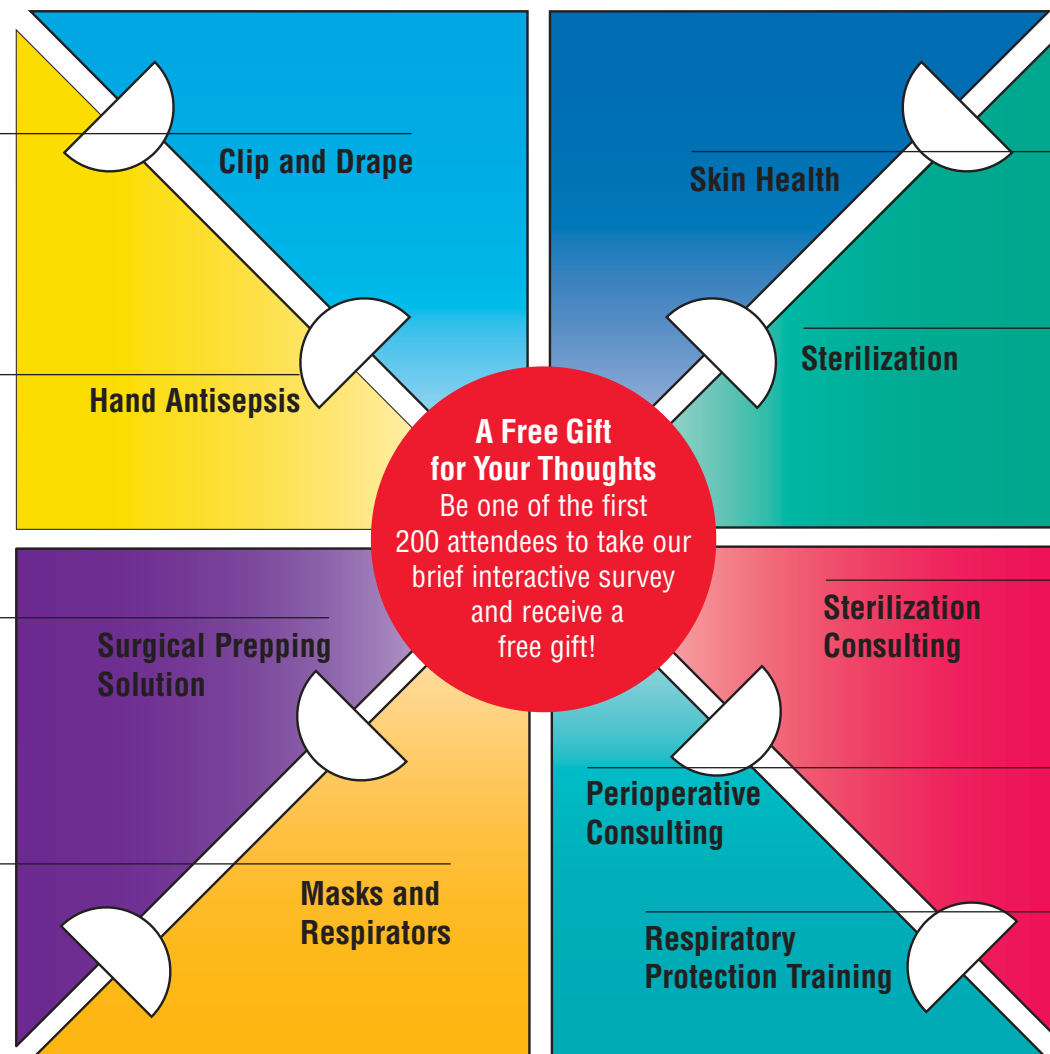
Take a vital step in infection prevention. Tour the 3M booth (#911) at APIC 2004.

Try 3M surgical clipper options for yourself and see the value of clipping vs. shaving. 3M antimicrobial-impregnated incise drapes provide a sterile surface at the operative site.

Sample the first and only FDA-approved waterless, brushless surgical hand prep that complements new JCAHO patient safety goal and CDC hand hygiene guideline.

Take a look at a surgical prepping solution that comes with its own applicator and provides fast drying and broad-spectrum microbial kill.

Check out new mask options and the latest, three-panel, flat-fold N95 respirator that fits a wider range of face shapes and sizes.



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Be one of the first 200 attendees to take our brief interactive survey and receive a free gift!

See how 3M's transparent dressings help facilities comply with the CDC IV Site Guideline.

Discover the fastest biological indicator for Ethylene Oxide monitoring available—providing results in only four hours. Now available only from 3M Sterilization.

See how 3M can help cost effectively improve productivity and increase compliance with established sterilization Recommended Practices.

Learn about a systematic approach to perioperative process improvement, including OR staff knowledge, practice assessments, interactive education and training courses.

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