

**\$10 Guest Fee this month!**

**NMACC** *to go*



**Next Meeting:**

**June 2014**

**Thursday, June 19, 11am-1pm**

**Tanoan Country Club**

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**Addus HealthCare Services**

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## **Infection Control In The Long Term Care Facility: *What you need to know***

**Speaker: Anne Timmins**

Over 3 million Americans receive care in [US nursing homes](#) and [skilled nursing facilities](#) and nearly one million people reside in assisted living facilities. Although data about infections in these facilities is limited, it is estimated that over a million serious infections occur per year with infections being a main cause of hospitalization and death. While improvements have been made in preventing those infections that occur while a patient is receiving health care ([health care associated infections or HAIs](#)) there is still a great deal of work to be done.

Challenges presented in the long term care environment are many and varied and hospital guidelines cannot be easily applied. This presentation will provide a basic understanding of some of the common pathogens seen in the long term care setting such as Clostridium difficile infection (CDI) and [Norovirus](#) along with recommendations to prevent transmission and outbreaks. Best practices gleaned from working with facilities in New Mexico will be shared.



Anne Timmins, BChD, MPH

[Anne Timmins](#) is a Project Manager at [HealthInsight New Mexico](#), the State Quality Improvement Organization which provides education, training and support for health care facilities in improving the quality of health care for patients and residents. Anne has been at HealthInsight since 2007 and brings experience in assessment and clinical analysis from her public health and clinical background having worked for the [New Mexico Department of Health](#) and the [National Health Service in the United Kingdom](#). She works primarily with hospitals and also with nursing homes in the state, concentrating currently on reducing health care associated infections, and has successfully managed three collaboratives of hospitals which worked together to learn how to effectively prevent [MRSA](#), central line associated blood stream infections and [Clostridium difficile infections](#).

### *Hot Links:*

[CDC - Nursing Homes and Assisted Living \(Long-term Care Facilities\) Antibiotic Stewardship Programs in Long-Term Care Facilities](#)

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## **NMACC Partypacks:** (open houses, social gatherings, verified hearsay...)

- Adult Protective Services Open House (ABQ) - Friday, June 13, from 10-1pm. 625 Silver SW, 4th floor
- [Las Colinas Village](#) - Network BBQ luncheon - Friday, June 13, 11am-1pm

## **NMACC Snacks:** (non-profit events/causes...)

- ["Organizing Your Business Process for Greater Efficiency"](#) - SHSMD-NM (Society for Healthcare Strategy & Market Development, Keith Powell, Friday, June 13, 2014.

## **NMACC Sac:** (fast links to helpful educational tidbits)

- "Humanizing Healthcare: Bringing Dignity and Humanity to the Final Stage of Life" - Speaker: [Camille Adair, RN](#). RSVP to [aharris@hcr-manorcare.com](mailto:aharris@hcr-manorcare.com) or 505.269.4575.



Acupuncturist/Herbalist Dr. Li Xu presented and demonstrated at May's meeting.

NMACC member Sabina Basham took one (or two) for the team.

## **NMACC New Member Sale!**

Your best price to join NMACC for the rest of the year will happen at the June 19th meeting. In fact, if you buy the rest of the year's membership, you'll get June's lunch free! Credit cards accepted! Don't miss any one of our speakers for the rest of the year. See the registration table for details. Void where prohibited, not available in Alaska or Hawaii.

## **Raffle this month!**

Be prepared. We will raffle off some cool stuff—to help enhance our NMACC education fund!



## **NMACC Almanac:** (Upcoming Meetings)

**NO MEETING IN JULY!!!** August 21, September 18, October 16, November 20

## **"NMACC To Go"**

Submissions for announcements of any kind will be published the month of the event, unless the event scheduled occurs before the date of distribution. For accuracy, "Series" events (regular meetings) must be submitted monthly. Deadline for next edition: **August 1, 2014**

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