

## **Russell N. Olmsted, MPH, CIC**

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Russell N. Olmsted, MPH, CIC, has over 30 years of experience in the fields of infection prevention and control and healthcare epidemiology. Russ serves as the Director of Infection Prevention & Control Services, at Saint Joseph Mercy Health System headquartered in Ann Arbor, MI. He is involved in several activities related to infection prevention and control on a state, national, and international basis. These include Associate Editor of the American Journal of Infection Control, 2011 President of the Association for Professionals in Infection Control & Epidemiology, Inc. (APIC) and member of CDC's Healthcare Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee between 2006-2010. He is currently a member of ASHRAE's 170 Committee that oversees this standard on Ventilation of Healthcare Facilities. In 2009 Russ was also named as APIC's annual Carole DeMille Achievement Award recipient. Russ's research interests and activities include co-investigator for a multiyear, national research study that is focused on determining the best methods for ensuring implementation of effective infection prevention entitled, "Translating Infection Prevention Evidence to Enhance Patient Safety" under the leadership of Drs. Sarah Krein and Sanjay Saint, prevention of device-associated infections and role of the built environment in cross transmission of microorganisms. His education background includes a bachelor's degree in Biology from the University of Michigan, and a Master of Public Health in General Epidemiology from the University of Michigan School of Public Health, Ann Arbor, MI. He also holds board certification in infection prevention and control from the Certification Board of Infection Control and Epidemiology, Inc (CBIC).

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**Maureen Spencer, RN, BSN, M.Ed, CIC**

## **PANELISTS:**

**Dale W. Bratzler, DO, MPH**  
**Ann Marie Pettis, RN, BSN, CIC**  
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### Conclusion

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### Question & Answer Session

#### Maureen Spencer, RN, BSN, M.Ed, CIC

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Maureen Spencer, RN, M.Ed. CIC, is the Infection Preventionist Consultant at Universal Health Services, providing consultative and educational resources for their 25 acute care hospitals in the US. She was recently the manager of Infection Control Unit at New England Baptist Hospital (NEBH) in Boston and prior to that was the Director of Infection Control at Massachusetts General Hospital. She has a Bachelors in Nursing and a Masters of Education and is certified in infection control. In recognition of her work in establishing an MRSA and MSSA Elimination program at New England Baptist Hospital she was selected as one of the Heroes in Infection Control 2007.

Maureen has presented numerous abstracts and lectures and has published several articles and chapters related to infection control, including a contributing author in Comprehensive Perioperative Nursing Textbook, Critical Care Nursing Clinics of North America and Office Hysteroscopy.

#### Dale W. Bratzler, DO, MPH

Chief Quality Officer  
University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center



Dale Bratzler, DO, MPH, is a Professor in the Department of Health Administration and Policy, and Associate Dean in the College of Public Health, and a Professor in the College of Medicine at the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center. He also serves in the role of Chief Quality Officer for the OU Physicians Group. Dr. Bratzler has worked in the field of healthcare quality measurement and improvement for many years. Additionally he has worked on the development and maintenance of national performance measures used to profile and publicly report metrics on quality of inpatient and outpatient healthcare as a contractor to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services, and has served on many committees or technical expert panels related to healthcare quality

including those sponsored by the National Quality Forum. Dr. Bratzler served twice as the President of the American Health Quality Association, is a past member of the National Advisory Council for the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), and a recent member of the Healthcare Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee (HICPAC) for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. He received his medical degree from the Kansas City University College of Medicine and Biosciences and his Masters degree in Public Health from the University of Oklahoma. He is board certified in internal medicine.

#### Ann Marie Pettis, RN, BSN, CIC

Director of Infection Prevention  
University of Rochester Medical Center



Ann Marie Pettis has been an Infection Preventionist for over 30 years. Presently she is the Director of Infection Prevention for the University of Rochester Medical Center. She has published in both peer reviewed and trade journals and lectured nationally and internationally. She has been president of both Western New York Infection Control Organization and Finger Lakes Chapter of APIC as well as a past representative on the New York State Advisory Committee in Infection Control. She has served in a variety of professional roles such as Legislative Representative for her local APIC chapter, co-chair and chair of the APIC National Communication Committee, National APIC Nominating and Awards Committee, APIC Research Committee and as an editor for "Infection Control Today" and "Outpatient Surgery."

Currently she is a member of the APIC National Conference Planning Committee.