CENTRAL ONTARIO PROFESSIONALS OF INFECTION CONTROL (COPIC) A Chapter of CHICA Canada

2008 Annual Report

2008 Executive:

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Meetings:

COPIC meetings are held four times a year. The meetings consist of a two hour general meeting coupled with a one hour educational session.

Membership:

COPIC membership for 2008 included 28 members.

Highlights from 2008:

Attendance at the COPIC General meetings has been consistent, with balanced representation from Acute and Long-term Care, Community Care Access Centers and Health Units.

At each meeting, news from CHICA Canada was highlighted along with a regular regional update from our Central East Infection Control Network Coordinator, Joanne Habib. Educational opportunities were shared with members and Round Table discussions were held in relation to current hot topics and trends in Infection Prevention and Control.

Chapter members were treated to educational sessions, the first taking advantage of an available Webber Training teleconferences detailing Outbreak Management with Dr. William Jarvis. An additional session included a presentation hosted by our Central East Infection Control Network explaining the principles of Surveillance.

Respectively submitted by: Cheryl Johnson

President