

Category	Description of Activity	Number of Infection Prevention Units (IPUs)	Maximum Number of IPUs	Examples of Participating Providers	Required Documentation
Online, paper, or live format education	Complete offerings from an accredited/vetted source that provide continued education credits specific to the domains	1 IPU per activity hour	No max	APIC, CDC, SHEA, IDSA, IPAC Canada	Certificate of completion/attendance
Organizational education offerings (includes multi-day or single day activities)	Attending related education offerings provided by accredited organizations, such as in-person workshops or online courses (examples: APIC/SHEA Joint Leadership development course, SHEA/CDC Outbreak Response Training Program)	10 IPUs per completed education offering	No max	APIC, IPAC Canada, SHEA, State Hospital Associations, ANA, IDSA	Certificate of attendance/completion
National conferences	Attendance at national infection prevention and control conferences (examples: APIC, IPAC Canada, and IDSA)	10 IPUs per conference	No max	APIC, IPAC Canada, IDSA	Certificate of attendance
	Other related conferences with infection prevention sessions (examples: conferences not specifically infection prevention and control centric but having an IPC educational session, such as AORN, AAMI, ASM, ANCC, SGNA)	1 IPU per session hour	No max	AORN, AAMI, ANCC, ASM, SGNA	Certificate of attendance
Academic education	Enrolled in accredited programs that offer specific education that would advance the profession of infection prevention and control	10 IPUs per program completion 2 IPUs per year of enrollment	10 IPUs max	Certification in statistics, MPH, MSN, project management	Copy of completed program or course unofficial transcript, with institution name visible OR Copy of diploma, with institution name visible OR Verification document Contains your name, the name of the college or institution, the name of course or program, the date and semester course or program was completed, a brief description, and the instructor signature
Publications	Published in a peer reviewed journal covering topics specific to infection prevention and control.	5 IPUs per publication	No max	AJIC, CJIC, ICHE, ASM	Copy of article, guidelines, prevention guide, or other publication, ensuring your participation as author or co-author, title of written work, date of publication, and a subject synopsis is visible
	Authoring/co-Authoring evidence-based guidelines, prevention guides, or similar publication related to the field of infection prevention and control.	5 IPUs per publication	No max	CDC, IHI, professional organization, APIC prevention guide	Copy of article, guidelines, prevention guide, or other publication, ensuring your participation as author or co-author, title of written work, date of publication, and a subject synopsis is visible

Presentation	Speaking at chapter, state, and national conferences. Delivering a webinar with a primary focus on infection prevention and control.	2 IPU per one hour of presentation time	No max	APIC chapter, IPAC chapter, State HAI conference, IPAC Canada, APIC, SHEA	Letter or verification from conference organizer on official organization letterhead Contains your name, the name of the webinar or presentation, the date of the webinar or presentation, and a synopsis of webinar or presentation focus OR Copy of brochure/flyer/conference schedule indicating name of presenter, date/time presented and presentation
	Presenting a poster at a national conference on a topic related to infection prevention and control	2 IPU per poster presentation	No max	APIC, IPAC Canada, SHEA, and IDSA	Letter or verification from conference organizer on official organization letterhead Contains your name, the title of the poster, the date of the presentation, and a synopsis, abstract, or presentation focus OR Copy of brochure/flyer/conference schedule indicating name of presenter, date/time presented and presentation
	Primary author of an abstract presentation at a national conference	1 IPU per abstract	No max	APIC, IPAC Canada, SHEA, and IDSA	Copy of brochure/flyer/conference schedule or abstract showing authorship OR Copy of first page of abstract
Participation in a professional organization	Participate on a local, state, or national level as a committee member or in a position of voluntary leadership	5 IPU per term per role	No max	County, state, or national health Committees, APIC/SHEA /IPAC committee or board member	Appointment letter on letterhead of organization or Board (separate letter for each role held) Contains your name, your role held, the dates of term, and the signature from committee chair or organization leader/chapter President
	Elected position on a Board	5 IPU per term per role	No max	APIC, SHEA, IDSA, IPAC Canada	Appointment letter on letterhead of organization or Board (separate letter for each role held) Contains your name, your role held, the dates of term, and the signature from committee chair or organization leader/chapter President
Teaching	Teaching specific topics related to infection prevention and control for an accredited institution	1 IPU per hour of instruction	Max of 5 IPU per recertification period	Nursing school, public health program, etc.	Copy of course or class syllabus outlining infection prevention teaching AND Verification letter (separate letter for each course or class) Contains your name , the dates of course, the number of hours of instruction, the name of accredited institution, and the Signature from institution contact (e.g. chancellor, professor, academic dean, President, etc.)
Research	Involved in an approved local facility IRB, State, or federally funded research activity that is specific to advancing the profession of infection prevention and control (e.g. listed as a principal member of the investigational team)	5 IPU per research activity	No max		A report ensuring your participation in the research and a subject synopsis is visible OR Verification letter Contains your name, the dates of participation, your role in the research (e.g., writer, investigator, etc.), and the source of funding