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Welcome from CBIC's President

Welcome to a new year! As we step into this fresh beginning, it presents an excellent opportunity for reflection and strategic planning. I am excited to continue to contribute to the profession of infection prevention and control in meaningful ways. As you embark on your journey this year, no matter where you are in your professional journey, I encourage you to take a moment to consider your personal and professional goals or aspirations that inspire and energize you and strive to achieve them with confidence and determination.

At the time of publication, the first cohort of the Advanced Leadership Certification in Infection Prevention and Control (AL-CIP) candidates will have submitted their portfolios. We look forward to sharing insights from the initial administration of this groundbreaking certification during the 2025 APIC Annual Conference in Phoenix. This milestone marks a significant step in recognizing advanced expertise in infection prevention and control.

Looking ahead, the second application period for the AL-CIP credential will be open from July 10, 2025, to August 15, 2025. We strongly encourage prospective candidates to begin preparing their portfolios ahead of the application window to ensure ample time for thoughtful and comprehensive submissions.

To support candidates, the Certification Board of Infection Control and Epidemiology (CBIC) website offers a variety of resources, including testimonials from previous participants, a recorded webinar, and information sessions. Additionally, the website provides detailed guidance on crafting a successful rationale to meet the certification requirements.

For chapters or local groups interested in learning more about the AL-CIP certification, we welcome the opportunity to connect and share additional information. Please reach out to us, and we would be delighted to collaborate.

Finally, I would like to extend my heartfelt congratulations to the following individuals who participated in the beta test for the AL-CIP certification and successfully earned this prestigious credential:

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Here's to embracing all the opportunities this new year has to offer. Wishing you success, happiness, and plenty of growth in both your personal and professional life.

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