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CBIC 2025: It's a Wrap on a Great Year!

As my term comes to a close, I want to extend my heartfelt gratitude to all infection preventionists (IPs) for the vital work you do every day, in every setting, across the globe. Your dedication plays a critical role in protecting the health and safety of patients, healthcare staff, and communities across the entire continuum of care.

Congratulations to all the newly certified IPs in 2025—you've taken an important step in advancing your professional journey. To those who continue to uphold their certification, including those who have achieved the distinguished designation of Advanced Leadership—Certification in Infection Prevention and Control (AL-CIP™), thank you for your continued commitment to excellence. Your knowledge and experience not only elevate the field of Infection Prevention and Control but also embody CBIC®'s mission to demonstrate and maintain professional competence and support our shared vision of a world free of infections.

It has been an honor to serve alongside you in advancing this important work—your passion, perseverance, and unwavering dedication continue to strengthen the impact of CBIC® certifications and elevate the field of Infection Prevention and Control worldwide.

I would also like to extend my sincere gratitude to the Board members for their tireless dedication to advancing our strategic plan. It is also my pleasure to welcome our incoming 2026 President, Gail Fraine, RN, MMHC, BSN, CIC, LTC-CIP, AL-CIP—a remarkable leader who will continue to guide the Board with vision and purpose as we transition into the new year. We are pleased to welcome the following individuals to the CBIC Board of Directors:

Rosie Amini, PharmD, BCPS

Mary Lou Manning, PhD, CRNP, AL-CIP, CIC, FAPIC, FSHEA, FNAP, FAAN

Joseph Tannous, MHRM, CIC, AL-CIP

Their expertise and passion will be instrumental as we move into an exciting new chapter. I would also like to extend sincere thanks to our 2025 outgoing Board members, Andrea Flinchum, MPH, BSN, RN, CIC, LTC-CIP, AL-CIP, FAPIC, FRSPH, Steven J. Schweon, RN, MPH, MSN, CIC, LTC-CIP, AL-CIP, CPHQ, FSHEA, FAPIC, and Robert Rosenthal for their leadership, service, and unwavering commitment to the mission of CBIC®.

Looking ahead, 2026 marks the beginning of our new strategic plan. This plan centers on three key priorities:

1. Ensure the excellence and credibility of our certification programs to uphold the value of the credential.
2. Elevate our marketing efforts to connect with new audiences and highlight the value and impact of CBIC® certification.
3. Strengthening partnerships to expand access and reduce barriers to certification for professionals across diverse settings.

I encourage you to visit the CBIC® website to learn more about how these initiatives will shape the future of certification and support infection prevention and control professionals across diverse settings.

This January also represents a significant milestone—the one-year anniversary of the launch of the AL-CIP™. If you are considering pursuing this portfolio-based credential, the 2026 application cycle will be open from January 20 through March 2, 2026. We look forward to receiving applications from leaders who are ready to showcase their expertise and commitment to advancing the profession.

Thank you for your continued dedication to infection prevention and control. Together, we are strengthening the credibility of our field and shaping for a healthier future.

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