Course Description:

This course is an educational program held by the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health (LACDPH). The program is for Infection Preventionists (IPs) and associated staff who work in long-term care settings, including skilled nursing facilities and rehabilitation facilities. The course is adapted from California Department of Public Health's "Basics of Infection Prevention" course and intended for beginning and intermediate IPs. It is **free** to attend and those who attend both days are eligible for nursing CEUs (approximately 10).

Course Objectives:

- Discuss how to build and sustain an infection prevention and control program.
- Discuss how infection prevention relates to employee health.
- Discuss epidemiology, microbiology, and surveillance as it pertains to infection prevention personnel.
- Discuss methodology for developing an amicrobial stewardship program with the collaboration of all stakeholders.
- Discuss the importance of the environment of care and environmental services in infection prevention.

Suggested Audience:

- All staff in long-term care settings with responsibilities or interest in, including but not limited to:
 - o Infection Preventionists
 - o Directors of Staff Development
 - o Directors of Nursing
 - o Clinical staff
- Quality improvement staff, administrators, or managers interested in learning more about infection prevention strategies.

Course Information:

May 14-15, 2018 8am to 4:30pm 5555 Ferguson Drive Commerce, CA Auditorium

Registration will open in **mid-April 2018** and all course materials will be available through our website: <u>http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/acd/IP2Daycourse.htm</u>

Please note that this course is meant for infection preventionists and healthcare workers in long-term care settings. In November 2018 we will be holding another course targeted toward IPs in acute care settings. If you have any questions, please email Stacy Hartmann at <u>SHartmann@ph.lacounty.gov</u>.

