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Certification options for the infection prevention and control professional

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Abstract:

The Certification Board of Infection Control and Epidemiology (CBIC) is a voluntary, autonomous, multidisciplinary board that provides direction for and administers the certification process for professionals in infection control and applied epidemiology. CBIC was founded in 1981 and is the largest certifying body for infection prevention and control professionals in the world. CBIC has certified over 9,000 infection prevention and control professionals worldwide. CBIC offers the Certification in Infection Prevention and Control (CIC) credential. The CIC credential is internationally recognized as the standard for infection prevention and control certification and has certified individuals in over 45 countries. Additionally, CBIC offers the associate-infection prevention and control certification, an entry-level certification in infection prevention and control. This certification is designed for the novice IPC professional and for those interested in pursuing careers in infection prevention and control. In 2023, CBIC developed the long-term care certification in infection prevention and control (LTC-CIP). Certification opens new job opportunities, as many healthcare employers require certification for certain positions or prefer certified individuals. Obtaining certification in infection prevention and control yields numerous benefits, including expanded knowledge and skills, increased job opportunities, heightened patient safety, facilitated professional development, and enhanced credibility and recognition.

Biography:

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