

SASKPIC A Chapter of Infection Prevention and Control (IPAC) Canada



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Purpose

To provide an opportunity for all persons interested in infection prevention and control in Saskatchewan to exchange knowledge, experience, and ideas.

Policy

1. IPAC Canada membership is required.
2. Membership fees are submitted to IPAC Canada. IPAC Canada membership fee is determined annually by the IPAC CANADA Board of Directors. A portion of the national membership dues are reimbursed to the chapter designated by the member during registration. Membership is renewed on member's anniversary date and renewal notices are issued by IPAC-Canada.
3. Only active and honorary SASKPIC members may be part of the executive (hold office) and vote on business issues.

Procedure

1. SASKPIC members will send annual fees to IPAC Canada, including the chapter fee.
2. Membership year for Active, Retired, and Student members shall be 12 months from receipt of payment.
3. Student, Retired, and Honorary Membership in SASKPIC is on an individual basis and cannot be transferred from one individual to another. Active/Institutional memberships are transferable with the permission of existing member.
4. Honorary Membership shall be for a lifetime.
5. Membership is terminated when the member dies or resigns or does not renew membership within three months, or is expelled or their membership is otherwise terminated in accordance with the articles or bylaws.
6. At each meeting, all in attendance will complete the attendance sheet circulated by the Secretary.
7. The number of paid chapter members as of the AGM will be used as the official total for the year.

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Structure

SASKPIC Membership shall consist of:

1. **Active Membership:** Members occupationally or professionally involved in the practice of infection prevention and control and/or epidemiology. *May vote, hold office, and serve on committees.*
 - a. This category also includes **Industry members** who are directly responsible for products and services related to infection prevention and control.
 - i. **Industry Members** will be invited to be exhibitors at the SASKPIC Annual Education Conference.
 - ii. **Industry Members** are not to promote their product or service by way of using the chapter email distribution list nor receive a list of conference attendees.
 - iii. **Industry Members** may supply food/snacks at a meeting; suggest education topics, and provide sponsorship for the session/speaker, provided the SASKPIC executive agrees that the topic is beneficial to the Chapter.
2. **Student Membership:** Full time students attending an infection control- related program (example: IPAC Canada's online novice Infection Control Practitioner course or another IPAC Canada endorsed course). *May not vote or hold office. May serve on committees.*
3. **Retired Members:** Retired members not actively seeking full time employment in infection control. *May not vote or hold office. May serve on committees.*
4. **Honorary Membership:** Individuals appointed as members for life by the executive in recognition of their contributions to the field of infection control. Honorary members are considered to be active members. *May vote, hold office, and serve on committees.*

References

IPAC Canada Policy 8.50, *Membership Categories*: <https://ipac-canada.org/photos/custom/Members/policies/8-50.pdf>

IPAC Eastern Ontario Membership Policy #1.3 https://eo.ipac-canada.org/photos/custom/policymanual/1-3_Membership_2017Jun.pdf