

Workshop on Legionnaire Disease (LD)

Organised by Infectious Disease Control Training Centre, Hospital Authority/ Infection Control Branch, Centre for Health Protection & Chief Infection Control Officer's Office, Hospital Authority

Objectives:

The workshop on Legionnaire Disease (LD) would focus on the following aspects:

1. Surveillance of LD in healthcare settings;
2. Investigations and infection control measures when a nosocomial case of LD is detected.

Target participants:

This workshop is designed for clinical microbiologists, pediatric and adult infectious diseases physicians, healthcare epidemiologists, infection control nurses, laboratory personnel and engineers who are involved in control of LD at their healthcare institutions.

Date:

6 December 2011, 9am – 5pm

Venue:

Lecture Theatre, Centre for Health Protection, 147C Argyle Street, Kowloon

International faculty:

Dr. Tim Boswell, BSc, MB BS, MRCPATH, MD
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Dr K T Goh, MBBS, MSc (PH), FAMS, MD
Senior Consultant
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Dr. Claressa Lucas, PhD
Environmental Legionella Isolation Techniques Evaluation (ELITE) Program
Coordinator and Microbiologist
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Local speakers:

Dr. Janice Lo
Consultant Medical Microbiologist
Public Health Laboratory Services Branch, Centre for Health Protection

Dr. Tonny Ng
Senior Medical Officer
Surveillance and Epidemiology Branch, Centre for Health Protection

Dr. Eugene Tso
Associate Consultant
Department of Medicine, United Christian Hospital

Programme rundown:

Time	Topic	Speaker
08:30 – 09:00	Registration	-
09:00 – 09:15	Welcome address	Dr. TY Wong & Dr. NC Tsang
Session I		
09:15 – 09:30	Brief introduction to LD control in HK	TBC
09:30 – 10:30	Policy and programme on control of LD: Singapore experience	Dr KT Goh
10:30 – 11:00	Epidemiological investigations of healthcare associated LD: local experience	Dr. Tonny Ng
11:00 – 11:10	Q & A	
11:10 – 11:20	Break	-
Session II		
11:20 – 12:20	Environmental sampling for LD: when and how?	Dr. Claressa Lucas
12:20 – 12:50	Laboratory diagnosis for a clinical case of LD	Dr. Janice Lo
12:50 – 13:00	Q & A	
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch	-
Session III		
14:00 – 15:00	Infection control measures for LD in healthcare settings	Dr. Tim Boswell
15:00 – 15:30	Update on clinical management of LD	Dr. Eugene Tso
15:30 – 15:40	Q & A	-
15:40 – 15:50	Break	
Session IV		
15:50 – 16:30	Panel Discussion: what should we do in HK for prevention and control of LD?	Drs. Tim Boswell, KT Goh, Claressa Lucas
16:30 – 17:00	Concluding remarks	Dr TY Wong & Dr NC Tsang
End		