

# **Fact Sheet**

### What is the Infection Prevention Champions Program?

The program delivers the latest infection prevention news and evidence-based information to your unit through a Champion. Each participating unit names a Champion who acts as the link to the most current infection prevention news. The goal of the program is to have a champion in each facility/setting across the country

### Who is your unit's Champion?

The Champion should be someone eager to take on a leadership role and be committed to educating others on infection prevention. Nurses and technicians are eligible to apply to be their unit's Champion.

## What is expected of your unit's Champion and how are they prepared?

To help build an educational foundation, all Champions are required to complete educational programs during the first month of their term. These programs will be provided free of charge by using the coupon code provided after the application has been processed. Programs can be ordered at <a href="www.sgna.org/Marketplace.aspx">www.sgna.org/Marketplace.aspx</a>. Note that initial educational program <a href="requirements">requirements</a> differ for nurse and technician Champions. During their term, Champions are expected to participate in a minimum of 180 minutes of infection prevention education for themselves and coordinate a minimum of 120 minutes of infection prevention education for their unit. Additional term requirements include completing a unit needs assessment and determining unit goals.

# What infection prevention resources will you receive?

In addition to the complimentary educational programs required for participation and resources available in the toolkit on the Infection Prevention website, the Champion will have special access through the site to the Cleaning & High-Level Disinfection Wall Chart (\$50) and DVD (\$185), Train the Trainer competency checklist and the Infection Prevention Module of the Associates Program (\$20). The program also includes exclusive access to a Champion-only discussion forum and bi-monthly newsletter.

#### Program details:

- www.sgna.org/InfectionPrevention.aspx
  - Two levels of access
    - General Public
    - Champion (enhanced resources)
  - Top website resources
    - Education Resources
    - Professional Society Guidelines
    - Manufacturer Guidelines
    - Employer Resources
    - Champion-only discussion forum
- \$250 initial annual subscription (beginning in either January or June)
- Champion kick-off webinar (scheduled for beginning of each term)
- Champion must meet established criteria to enroll
  - Detailed job description available at www.sgna.org/InfectionPrevention/Champion.aspx
  - o Nurse or technician
- Requirements due throughout Champion term
- Champion may change each term
- One Champion per unit

#### How to enroll:

- Complete online application using credit card payment
- Complete a paper invoice and application found on website for check payment
  - Multisite discounts must pay by check