

## **BIA Monthly Digest – 18th September 2018**

### **News Items**

#### **BIA Autumn Trainees Day**

This meeting will take place at the University of Manchester on 11<sup>th</sup> October 2018. Registration now open; call for abstracts open until Monday 1<sup>st</sup> October – this year's theme is 'mimics of infection'.

See [Trainee Days](#) page

#### **HEE Report Launch – Tackling antimicrobial resistance: the role of formative assessments**

HEE intends to explore the feasibility of an individualised online formative assessment tool for health students and health professionals to support learning on infection prevention and control, antimicrobial resistance and stewardship.

See [Professional Affairs Updates](#) page

#### **Hepatitis C – whole genome sequencing (WGS) now available**

PHE have developed the first ever clinically validated whole genome sequencing test for HCV as part of a global effort to eliminate HCV by 2025

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#### **NICE Emergency and acute medical care quality standard**

This QS was published on 7<sup>th</sup> September

See [NICE webpage](#)

### **Reminders**

[Barnet Christie Lecture 2018](#) – closing date for applications: 29<sup>th</sup> September 2018 - see [FIS](#) page

[FIS 2018](#) – 13-15 November - registration open – see [FIS](#) page

[Regional Educational Workshops 2018](#): the ongoing challenges of MRSA. Series of workshops organised by BIA, BSAC and HIS taking place Oct – Dec 2018 – See [Workshops & Courses](#) page

### **Current Consultations**

See [Consultations](#) page for full information of all consultations

#### **NICE draft guideline on acute cough: antimicrobial prescribing**

Comments will be accepted until Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September – as yet none have been received and there will be no BIA response if there are no comments on this important infection issue.

#### **NICE guideline CG191 Pneumonia in adults: diagnosis and management**

This is a consultation on a proposal not to update this guideline. Please send comments by noon, 26<sup>th</sup> September 2018

### **Recently Announced Events**

See [Infection Events](#) page for full information

No new events have been announced this month

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