

## **BIA Monthly Digest – 21<sup>st</sup> August 2018**

### **News Items**

#### **Barnet Christie Lecture 2018**

Each year the BIA invites applications to deliver this highly prestigious lecture at the FIS Conference, which takes place this year in Newcastle on 13<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> November. Doctors and scientists who have not yet reached consultant, senior lecturer or top grade scientist status are eligible to apply for this award, which recognises excellence in original research. The closing date for receipt of applications is Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2018.

See [FIS Conference](#) page

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

This meeting will take place at the University of Manchester on 11<sup>th</sup> October 2018. The BIA Spring Trainees' Day is scheduled for 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2019, with the BIA Annual Scientific Meeting on 23<sup>rd</sup> May.

See [Trainee Days](#) page

#### **Regional Educational Workshops 2018: The Ongoing Challenge of MRSA**

This series of workshops, run jointly by BIA, BSAC and HIS, will be held throughout October, November and December. Delegates will hear about latest developments and have the opportunity to share and discuss common and rare issues faced in everyday practice.

See [Workshops & Courses](#) page

#### **Reviewing Specialised Infectious Diseases Services in England**

NHS England is currently reviewing how to manage and care for patients who have serious and rare infectious conditions, to ensure that people receive high quality, appropriate care while safeguarding against the spread of disease, and is now looking at ways to capture activity, specifically an electronic reference system. You are invited to receive updates and get involved.

See [Professional Affairs Updates](#) page

#### **BIA Booklet**

An updated promotional booklet for 2018 has been produced, with new Council Members' details, BIA aims and events included.

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#### **NICE Diagnostics Advisory Committee member recruitment**

NICE is looking for potential specialist members to join the Diagnostics Advisory Committee for the evaluation of the proposed diagnostic topic: Rapid tests for Group A Streptococcal infections in people with a sore throat. Closing date for applications is 5pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2018.

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#### **Reminders**

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

Gilead UK & Ireland Fellowship Programme – open for applications until 21<sup>st</sup> September - see [Grants](#) page (scroll to bottom of page)

### **Current Consultations**

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

**UK NSC consultation: Antenatal screening for Hepatitis C**

Please submit comments by 5pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> September.

**Recently Announced Events**

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

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| 25 October 2018     | Glasgow Periprosthetic Infection Symposium; Glasgow  |
| 29-30 November 2018 | 13 <sup>th</sup> Antibiotic Resistance and Mechanisms Workshop for Researchers; Birmingham |
| 24 January 2019     | BIA Infection Dilemmas Day; Manchester   |
| 25 January 2019     | BIA HIV Dilemmas Day; Manchester   |

**Vacancy**

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Consultant virologist (2 posts), Barts Health NHS Trust – closing date 24 August

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