

## BIA Monthly Digest: 18<sup>th</sup> April 2017

### News items

BIA Spring Meeting: parallel session for Associate Members 'Diagnostic Innovation – A look into the future'. See [Spring Meeting page](#).

Barnet Christie Lecture – call for abstracts now open. This lecture will be delivered at the FIS conference on 30 November. Doctors and scientists who have not yet reached consultant, senior lecturer or top grade scientist status are eligible to apply. See [FIS Conference page](#).

*M. chimaera* – latest guidance now available from PHE. See [Updates page](#).

UKCPA non-member subscriber pack – invitation to register. See [Updates page](#).

### Consultations/Updates

RGOC GBS guideline for review; please send comments by 28 April. See [Consultations page](#).

Survey: Aminoglycoside-induced vestibular toxicity in children: optimal detection procedure. This study is being carried out as part of an MSc Advanced Audiology research project. The survey will take approx. 5 minutes. If you are interested in participating, please click on the following link: <https://opinio.ucl.ac.uk/s?s=48926>

NICE QS Advisory Committee: the public registration facility to observe the committee meeting for sepsis is now open. The meeting will take place on 4 May; registration closes on 19 April. If you would like to register for this meeting, please do so via the following web page: <https://www.nice.org/uk/event/qsac1-may-2017>. If you do register, please let us know via [BIA@hartleytaylor.co.uk](mailto:BIA@hartleytaylor.co.uk).

NICE Clinical Guidelines Update: the public registration facility to observe the committee meeting for [urinary tract infections in under 16s](#) is now open. If you would like to register to observe this committee meeting, please do so via the following web page: <https://www.nice.org.uk/event/cgub-may-2017>.

NICE: Implementation of changes to the arrangements for evaluating and funding drugs and other health technologies appraised through our technology appraisal (TA) and highly specialised technologies (HST) programmes. Changes are effective from 1 April 2017. See [Consultations page](#) for more information.

NICE guideline on emergency and acute medical care in the over 16s: service delivery and organisation. Project documents have now been published – see [NICE webpage](#). Consultation on draft guideline due to start on 17/05/17.

NICE consultation on the draft Physical health of people in prison QS is open until 9 May. Click for [Consultation topic page](#).

### Mycology Laboratory Diagnostic Capacity Survey

This survey is designed to help PHE and BSMM understand current mycology laboratory practice and capabilities throughout the UK, following updated BSMM standards for diagnosis of serious fungal diseases in 2015. The survey is open until 08/05/17.

See [Consultations page](#).

### Recently announced events

22 May 2017	UCL Biosafety Design Initiative Course; online
16 June 2017	National Multidisciplinary Day: Infection and Immunity Clinical Update
27 June 2017	IPS Welsh Branch – South Wales Conference 2017; Cardiff
19,20 Aug 2017	RCPATH Summer School; London
26,27 June 2018	RCP Annual Conference; London

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