

BIA Monthly Digest – 17th April 2018

News Items

BIA Spring Meeting

The finalised programme for this meeting is now available

See [BIA Spring Meeting](#) page

Trainees Call for Abstracts

This year we will be having case presentations and abstracts on the subject of “My most interesting case to date” should be submitted by **Friday 4th May**

See [Trainee Days](#) page

Supper Meeting for Trainees – 16th May

This is a free evening event aimed at senior medical students, and all doctors below registrar level contemplating a career in infection-related specialties including infectious diseases, microbiology and virology. The evening is attached to the BIA Spring Meeting and will be held after the Trainees’ day, 5pm-8.30pm, with food provided.

The evening consists of a variety of topics including advice on working abroad and tips on how to successfully apply for specialty training, delivered by experts in their various fields. A provisional programme is now available.

See [Trainee Days](#) page

Associate Members’ Outbreak Session - 17th May

This year’s outbreak session for associate members is about Antimicrobial Stewardship and is targeted at antimicrobial pharmacists, although infection doctors may also find this of interest.

See [BIA Spring Meeting](#) page

BIA Council Elections 2018

The closing date for nominations to BIA Council posts is **20th April**. Voting papers will be issued once nominations have been received and the results will be declared at the BIA Spring Meeting on 17th May. Further information on the vacant posts, election timeline, nomination form and a President’s Letter outlining roles and responsibilities is available on the [BIA Council](#) page.

BIA Member Questionnaire 2018

This questionnaire asks for your opinion on the BIA’s spending priorities. It should take approximately 5 minutes to complete. Please respond by 27th April; it is hoped that the findings will be presented at the BIA AGM in May.

See [Members Area](#) page

Position paper on the demonstration and maintenance of competence by consultants in medical microbiology and virology

The final version of this document was issued in January 2018

See [Members Area](#) page

Gilead UK & Ireland Fellowship Programme

The Programme is now open for grant applications in viral hepatitis; the application period closes on Friday 1st June 2018.

See [Grants](#) page

2018 National AMR Campaign

This is a highly targeted national awareness and educational campaign titled “Drug Resistance”,

which will run from March to September this year.

See [Professional Affairs Updates](#) page

New NICE guidelines

NICE has recently published updated guidelines on Lyme disease and Otitis media

See [Published Guidelines](#) section

Current Consultations

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

NICE QS: Emergency and acute medical care

Open until 14th May

UK SMI test procedures TP5, TP8, TP10 and TP12

Open until 20th April

Healthcare professional survey: pharma communications strategies

Ongoing survey

Recently Announced Events

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

3 July 2018	Taking surveillance forwards: making the most of your data; Manchester
4 July 2018	Sepsis conference 2018: improving patient outcomes; Manchester
13 December 2018	What is the future of water and public health?; Sheffield

Vacancies

See [Jobs](#) page for full information

Infectious Diseases Volunteer (Funded), Sierra Leone
Ongoing

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