

Aligning PDI CE Programs with the CIC Infection Prevention Unit (IPU) Certification Renewal Option

As an infection preventionist, maintaining the certification in infection control (CIC) is a critical component in achieving and maintaining credibility within the discipline practice.

Under the new guidance provided by the Certification Board of Infection Control and Epidemiology (CBIC), infection preventionists and epidemiologists are now able to renew their CIC through continuing education hours. This new method, which joins the current process of re-testing for certification, requires a completion of 40 hours of IPU over the 5 year certification period, and allows the continuing education hours to come from teaching, publishing, or attending conferences or webinars.

The PDI continuing education (CE) portal* meets the criteria for the “[online, paper, or live format education](#)” category:

- Offers **1 credit hour** of learning
- **Pre-recorded** so you can complete the course at your own pace
- **Covers all 8 domains required by the CBIC IPU re-certification process.****

The PDI CE portal has been reviewed for domain content to take the guesswork out of assigning the domains yourself. Using the [Record Keeping Form for the Infection Prevention Units \(IPUs\)](#) you can conveniently document the domains covered and IPUs earned during each completed webinar.

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*** The CBIC only requires any 6 of these 8 domains be covered during the IPU recertification process. These include: (1) identification of infectious diseases; (2) surveillance and epidemiologic investigation; (3) prevention and control of the transmission of infectious agents; (4) employee or occupational health; (5) management and communication; (6) education and research; (7) environment of care; (8) and cleaning, sterilization, disinfection, and asepsis.)*