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APUA Highlights

Updates on APUA Action

April 1, 2011

APUA Partners with WHO for World Health Day 2011

Thursday April 7, 2011, marks the World Health Organization (WHO) sponsored, World Health Day which will focus this year on the pressing issue of antimicrobial resistance. APUA is an official partner of this year's World Health Day. Look for APUA's World Health Day blog post, featured publication, and press release throughout the first week of April at www.apua.org.

[Learn more about this year's World Health Day.](#)

APUA's White Paper on Triclosan Available Online

APUA's recent researcher-produced white paper on triclosan is now available in full on our Web site. Triclosan is an antibacterial agent that has been associated with antibiotic resistance emergence in the lab. APUA staff is following the issue to provide objective scientific evidence to EPA and FDA policy debates related to controversial policy issues. As part of APUA's research program, APUA produces commissioned unbiased white papers to review the state of science and implications for policy and practice. [Read the APUA White paper.](#)

APUA Investigates Comparative Effectiveness in Hand Hygiene Practice

Infection control and hand hygiene are key strategies to prevent the emergence and spread of Antibiotic Resistance. Throughout February and March, APUA has been engaged in a research study to compare the effects of different hand-drying techniques on bacterial hygiene. [Learn more about the study.](#)

APUA Welcomes Ghana as a New Chapter

In March, 2011, APUA Ghana became the 65th official chapter to pass APUA's due diligence process and join APUA's Global Chapter Network. [Meet APUA Ghana Chapter Leader.](#)

APUA Co-Sponsors XV Congreso Panamericano de Infectologia, April 9th April 9, 2011 is The Pan American Symposium on Antibiotic Resistance and Appropriate Antibiotic Use at the XV Pan American Congress of Infectious Diseases in Punta del Este, Uruguay. The Director of APUA's International Program, Dr. Anibal Sosa, will be co-chair of the symposium along with Dr. Gabriela Levy Hara. APUA will also co-sponsor a web-based educational program in Spanish on April 7, 2011. [Learn more about these events.](#)

APUA to Hold Panel Presentation at Global Health Council Meeting

APUA will be part of a panel presentation at the Global Health Council meeting in Washington D.C. June 13-17, 2011. APUA's Dr. Susan Foster and Dr. Anibal Sosa along with Helen Gelband from the CDC will be presenting findings from a situation analysis done in Zambia and Uganda. APUA is also presenting at the upcoming ICAAC and IDSA meetings. [Learn more about](#)

About Us

APUA is the leading, independent non-governmental organization with an extensive global field network dedicated to preserving the power of existing antibiotics and increasing access to needed agents.

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