

Infection Control Seminar A Success!

The Office of Inspector General hosted the Infection Control Seminar on May 4th at the Hyatt Regency in Louisville, Kentucky. All Long Term Care (LTC) Providers were invited to this free seminar with over 400 in attendance!

The seminar featured key note speaker **Karen K. Hoffmann, RN, MS, CIC**, a clinical instructor for the Division of Infectious Diseases at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill School of Medicine. During the seminar, Karen focused on developing and maintaining infection control programs. Karen has trained for CMS sponsored Infection Control Seminars in the past.

Donna Beyl, ACSW, LCSW, an adjunct faculty member with Ball State University and Indiana University also presented during the seminar. Ms. Beyl focused her discussion on the impact of infection control on social services and activities. **Sandy E. Kelly, RN**, with the Kentucky Department of Public Health was the final guest speaker. Ms. Kelly is with the Division of Epidemiology and Health Planning, Communicable Diseases Branch. She spoke on infections and state reporting requirements.

In addition to gaining great skills necessary for addressing infectious diseases, participants were able to earn five and one half contact hours towards their continuing education units required for nursing licenses. The Office of Inspector General will be hosting the next LTC Provider seminar in the fall! More details will be provided as we near the date. We look forward to seeing you there!