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What is an AudioNet Program?

AudioNet is a distance learning session transmitted through a combination of audio conference technology and the Internet. The presenter's voice is heard over the telephone, as in a traditional audioconference. The visuals, such as presentation slides and manual materials, are shown on a specially designed web site that is compatible with most computers and modems. **You do not need special computer equipment, programs or set-up procedures.** You can ask questions either on the telephone or via email.

What equipment is required in the room?

A telephone connection with speakerphone and a computer with Internet access are the basic requirements for a small room. The addition of an LCD projector will enable you to display the web portion of the program for a large group.

What if I don't have Internet access?

No problem! You can participate in the program in the same way as you call into a "regular" audioconference. A copy of the slides and other visuals will be sent to you by email or fax a few days prior to the conference.

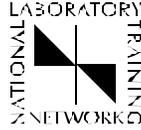
How many people can participate at my site?

An unlimited number of people can participate, but you must identify a site representative, and are allowed one phone line and one Internet connection per site.

What is the role of the site representative?

In addition to making sure the conference room has the appropriate equipment, the site representative is responsible for duplicating the handout materials, ensuring that site participants complete the registration and evaluation forms, and sending registration and evaluation forms back to the NLTN office. Detailed instructions will be sent in a confirmation letter.

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Facing the Challenges in the 2003 NCCLS Recommendations For Antimicrobial Susceptibility Testing

February 27, 2003

1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. EST

**AN INTERACTIVE
DISTANCE LEARNING SESSION
ATTEND AT YOUR WORKPLACE!**

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PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

It is important for clinical laboratories to procure the latest editions of the NCCLS Standards for Antimicrobial Susceptibility Testing (AST) in order to utilize the most appropriate methods to detect emerging resistance and to report results effectively. The tables are updated annually and the text documents that describe how to do testing are updated every three years. The 2003 edition reflects revisions in both the tables and the text. This session will walk students through the changes that occur in the updated disk diffusion and MIC standards. Suggestions will be provided for ways in which these changes can be incorporated into a laboratory's testing and reporting protocols.

This program is appropriate for microbiology laboratory personnel, supervisors, managers, laboratory directors, infection control practitioners, and educators.

OBJECTIVES

At the conclusion of this workshop, participants will be able to:

- Describe a strategy for incorporating the new recommendations found in the 2003 NCCLS Disk Diffusion Standards (M2-A8), MIC (M7-A6) Standard, and supplemental tables (M100-S13) into one's testing and reporting protocols.
- Discuss the 20-day quality control option for documenting proficiency when testing new agents or using a new AST system.
- List at least 10 organisms/ antimicrobial agent results obtained on patient isolates that should be verified prior to reporting.

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PROGRAM AGENDA

February 27, 2003
All times listed are in Eastern Standard Time.
Please adjust for your time zone.

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| 1:00 p.m. | Overview and Opening Remarks |
| 1:10 p.m. | Facing the Challenges in the 2003 NCCLS Recommendations for Antimicrobial Susceptibility Testing |
| 2:45 p.m. | Discussion and Evaluation |
| 3:00 p.m. | Adjourn |

PRESENTER

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Ms. Hindler is a Senior Specialist in Clinical Microbiology for the Division of Laboratory Medicine at UCLA Medical Center in Los Angeles, California. She is working this year with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Division of Laboratory Systems, through an Interagency Personnel Agreement, to develop and conduct training on antimicrobial susceptibility testing (AST).

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Laboratory: Continuing education credit will be offered, based on 2.0 hours of instruction.
Louisiana: The CEUs provided are approved Category 1 Continuing Education Units as defined by the Louisiana Personnel Licensure Law.
California: The NLTN Pacific Office is approved by the California Department of Health Services as a CA CLS Accrediting Agency (#2002). This program qualifies for 2.0 contact hours of continuing education for California clinical laboratory licensees.

REGISTRATION

Site Fee: \$50.00 per site (Unlimited participants)
Deadline: February 14, 2003

The fee allows one phone line and one Internet connection per site. Each site may have an unlimited number of participants but must designate a site representative. Access information and registration materials will be sent to the site representative, who is responsible for downloading the handout and duplicating the items as needed and returning registration and evaluation forms to the NLTN office after the program. If you do not have Internet access, you can still participate in the program as an audioconference.

Pre-registration is required. Cancellations received in writing 72 hours in advance of the workshop will be refunded, less a \$20 processing fee. Confirmation letter, confirmation number, access information, and handouts will be sent in advance of the workshop.

HOW TO REGISTER (MW4103)

- Designate a site representative.
- Complete the attached site registration form.
- Make \$ 50 check payable to **APHL** (Association of Public Health Laboratories), or complete credit card authorization form.
- Send site registration form and payment by fax or mail by February 14, 2003:

NLTN, Attn: Kim Davis
2121 W. Taylor Street
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In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), individuals requiring special accommodations must notify Audionet (319-335-4540) by February 1, 2003.

SITE REGISTRATION FORM

Facing the Challenges in the 2003 NCCLS Recommendations for AST
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Please print or type the following information clearly.

Return this form and payment via mail or fax by February 14, 2003 to:
NLTN, Attn: Kim Davis, 2121 W. Taylor St., Chicago, IL 60612
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SITE INFORMATION

Site Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Method of Payment: Check (payable to APHL) Credit Card

We will participate as: Audioconference Audioconference plus Internet

What is the estimated number of people who will attend? _____

SITE REPRESENTATIVE INFORMATION

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Fax: _____

Email: _____

For security purposes, Audionet will need to verify the site when you call into the program by asking for the site name, site coordinator's name, and phone number of the phone they will use to call. Please answer the following:

Will the site coordinator be the person who calls into the teleconference?

Yes Phone number they will call from: _____

No Name of person calling in: _____
Phone number: _____

NLTN CREDIT CARD AUTHORIZATION FORM

Credit Card Authorization for
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Site Name

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