

You are invited to participate in the
Fall 2002 Public Health Teleconference Series on Infectious Disease:

“Laboratory Confirmation of Botulism”

September 10, 2002
1:00 to 2:00 pm (EDT)

ROOM: _____

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National Laboratory Training Network
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Speaker
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Moderator
Michael Rau
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Objectives
At the conclusion of this program, participants will be able to:

- Describe methods of botulinum toxin detection.
- Identify culture characteristics of botulinum toxin producing *Clostridium* spp.
- Define safe handling practices for specimens and cultures.

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National Laboratory Training Network - Course Evaluation
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Your response to this evaluation is a valuable tool for the NLTN to use to plan programs to meet your training needs. Please respond by checking agree or disagree for each item in the table below. Thank you.

agree	disagree	My reason for attending this course was to:
		1. Obtain information that is directly related to my current job.
		2. Obtain information for planned future activities in my work setting.
		3. Obtain information to help correct deficiencies in inspections/accreditations.
		4. Earn continuing education credits.
		5. Exchange ideas with colleagues.
agree	disagree	Course evaluation:
		6. The level of the content presented was appropriate for my background.
		7. The course covered the objectives stated in the announcements/handouts.
		8. The material presented in the course was relevant to my work.
		9. Much of the content covered was new or updated information for me.
		10. I was able to interact with faculty and other participants. (If on-site course)
		11. The teaching methods used were appropriate to learning.
		12. I learned information, or acquired skills I can use in my job immediately .
		13. Information presented can be applied when equipment/supplies are funded.
		14. Attending this course was worth the time and money invested.
		15. The training facilities were appropriate for learning.

16. Please provide feedback for each speaker in the space provided if you select "partially" or "no" responses.

Susan Maslanka - met stated objectives yes partially no
 - conveyed material clearly yes partially no

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17. Based on what you have learned in this course, what SPECIFIC change(s) do you plan to make in your work practice?

18. Your highest level of education is:

high school associate degree bachelors degree masters degree doctoral

19. Please check the response that describes your area of expertise.

Laboratory Nursing Physician Safety professional

Other, please specify _____

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The following will help us to streamline our registration process:

20. Do you have email access at work? Yes No
21. How often do you use the internet at work? No access Daily Weekly Monthly
22. Who registered you for this course? I registered myself My employer registered me.
23. Who paid for your registration? Employer (either directly or by reimbursement) Myself
(self funded)

Thank you

National Laboratory Training Network Northeast Office Program
Laboratory Confirmation of Botulism
Speaker Information

Speaker

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Dr. Maslanka received her Ph.D. in Biochemistry from Georgia State University in 1989. She is currently Chief of the National Botulism Surveillance and Reference Laboratory at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Dr. Maslanka serves as the World-wide consultant for botulinum toxin testing in clinical specimens and is a U.S. consultant for the use of botulinum toxoid vaccine in laboratory workers. She serves as the CDC representative to both the Interagency Botulism Research Coordinating Committee and the United States-Japan Cooperative Program on Development & Utilization of Natural Resources, Joint Panel on Toxic Microorganisms. In addition, Dr. Maslanka serves as the Subject Matter Expert for botulinum toxin detection to CDC's Bioterrorism Preparedness and Response Laboratory Working Group.

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Speaker Question Form

Please print legibly, be concise and use black ink.

Site Name _____

(optional)

City: _____ State: _____

Please provide a telephone number or email address where you can be reached in the event that we are unable to answer your question during the program.

Telephone # or Email Address _____

Fax your questions to: (303) 344-3008 Fax

Certificate of Attendance

This is to certify that

has participated (one contact hour) in the
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