



### C. diff. Spores and More

Tuesday at 10 AM Pacific

October 09th 2018: Encore: Importance Of Partnership Between Laboratories and Clinical Staff For Accurate Diagnosis Of A C. diff. Infection

Learn about the importance of laboratory testing in the identification of a C. difficile Infection (CDI), with guests: Jeanine Thomas, President and Founder of the MRSA Survivors Network who is a survivor of both MRSA and C. diff. infections. Dr. Nathan A. Ledeboer, PhD, D(ABMM), Medical Director of Microbiology and Molecular Diagnostics for Wisconsin Diagnostic Laboratories and Froedtert Health. Dr. Whitney R. Buckel, PharmD, BCPS who is the Infectious Diseases and Antimicrobial Stewardship Clinical Pharmacist at Intermountain Medical Center, and Dr. Steven Cagas, who will give us a brief

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### Featured Guests



#### Jeanine Thomas

Ms. Thomas founded MRSA Survivors Network in early 2003 due to having been critically ill with a MRSA infection, sepsis and C. difficile. Her organization was the first in the U.S. to raise the alarm about the MRSA epidemic, healthcare-acquired infections (HAI's) and antibiotic resistance (AMR) to state and federal health officials in the U.S.

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#### Dr. Nathan A Ledeboer, PhD, D(ABMM)

Dr. Nathan A Ledeboer is an Associate Professor of Pathology at the Medical College of Wisconsin and the Medical Director of Microbiology and Molecular Diagnostics for Wisconsin Diagnostic Laboratories and Froedtert Health. His research endeavors, particularly in the area developing diagnostic tools for infectious diseases, have led to more than 70 publications in peer-reviewed journals and more than 100 funded research projects. Dr. Ledeboer is also a senior editor for the Journal of Clinical Microbiology.

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#### Dr Whitney R Buckel, PharmD, BCPS

Dr. Whitney Buckel is the Infectious Diseases/Antimicrobial Stewardship Clinical Pharmacist for Intermountain Medical Center, in Murray, Utah. She also serves as the co-chair of the Intermountain System-wide Antimicrobial Stewardship Committee, overseeing stewardship efforts across 22 hospitals. Whitney graduated from Purdue University College of Pharmacy in 2010, and completed a PGY-1 Pharmacy Practice and PGY-2 Infectious Diseases residency at The Johns Hopkins Hospital. Her research interest is in the design, implementation and outcomes of antimicrobial stewardship initiatives.

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#### Dr. Steven Cagas, PhD

Dr. Steven Cagas is a Scientific Affairs Manager within Medical and Scientific Affairs within the Molecular Diagnostics Division of Roche Diagnostics Corporation. He has 5 years of industry experience at Roche. He directly interfaces with clinicians and key opinion leaders to assist in the commercialization of products within the Roche Molecular Diagnostics portfolio. He has spoken at several internal and external conferences as an invited speaker on various topics related to his areas of expertise.

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