

9<sup>th</sup> Annual POCC Forum

**INFECTION CONTROL: PREVENTING OCCUPATIONAL AND PATIENT  
CROSS CONTAMINATION AT THE POINT-OF-CARE**

**Thursday, July 28**

7:30 am—10:00 am

Georgia World Congress Center

*Sponsored by the AACC Critical and Point-of-Care Testing Division*

**Description**

This year's POCC Forum is for all healthcare professionals, including those who perform or manage point-of-care testing and are therefore critical to helping prevent the spread of infection to patients and coworkers. The forum will discuss recommendations for safe infection control practices recently updated by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to help reduce the transmission of blood borne pathogens. The need for this initiative became evident when reports of persistent cross contamination and deaths were traced back to inappropriate lancet use and poor infection control practices. Learn more about the CDC findings and the official guidelines at this Thursday morning forum.

**Safety 101: Preventing Infectious Disease Transmission during Blood Glucose Monitoring**

Nicola F. Thomason, PhD, Joseph D. Perz, DrPH, and Melissa K. Schafer, MD

Division of Healthcare Quality Promotion, CDC, Atlanta, GA

**Infection Control Plan and Implementation at the POC**

Edith Burns, BS, Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Center, Baltimore, MD

**Registration:**

AACC/ASCLS Member/non-member: \$20

The registration includes breakfast followed by scientific sessions.

Tickets may be picked up at the Georgia World Congress Center at Conference Registration.

For information on the AACC Annual Meeting or to register online, go to [www.aacc.org/2011am](http://www.aacc.org/2011am).

**Registration deadline: June 30, 2011. Register onsite after June 30.**