



Practical ways to set yourself up for success as an IPC Professional

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Setting the scene....

Have you recently taken on an Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) position or been contemplating becoming an IPC Professional?

Do you feel unsure where to start and/or how to set yourself up for success?

If the answer is yes, you selected the correct session to attend!



Agenda:

1. How to establish yourself as an Infection Prevention & Control (IPC) subject matter expert
2. How to build your credibility as an IPC Professional

How to establish yourself as an IPC subject matter expert

1. Formal IPC qualification:

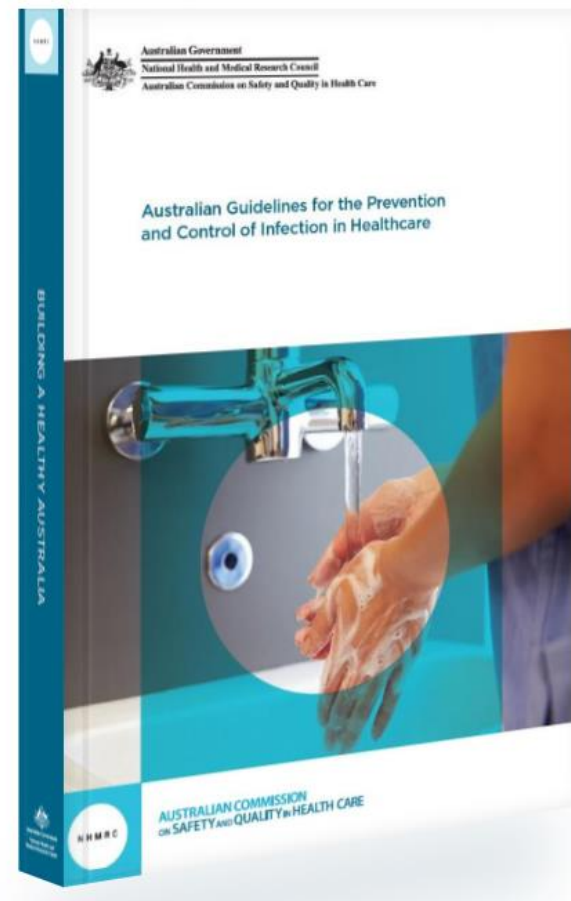
- [Foundations of Infection Prevention and Control \(FIPC\)](#), Australasian College for Infection Prevention and Control (ACIPC)
- [Graduate Certificate in Infection Prevention and Control](#), Griffith University
- [Graduate Certificate of Infection Control](#), James Cook University
- [Graduate Certificate in Nursing Science \(Infection Control Nursing\)](#), University of Adelaide
- [Master in Infection Prevention and Control](#), Griffith University
- Others ...

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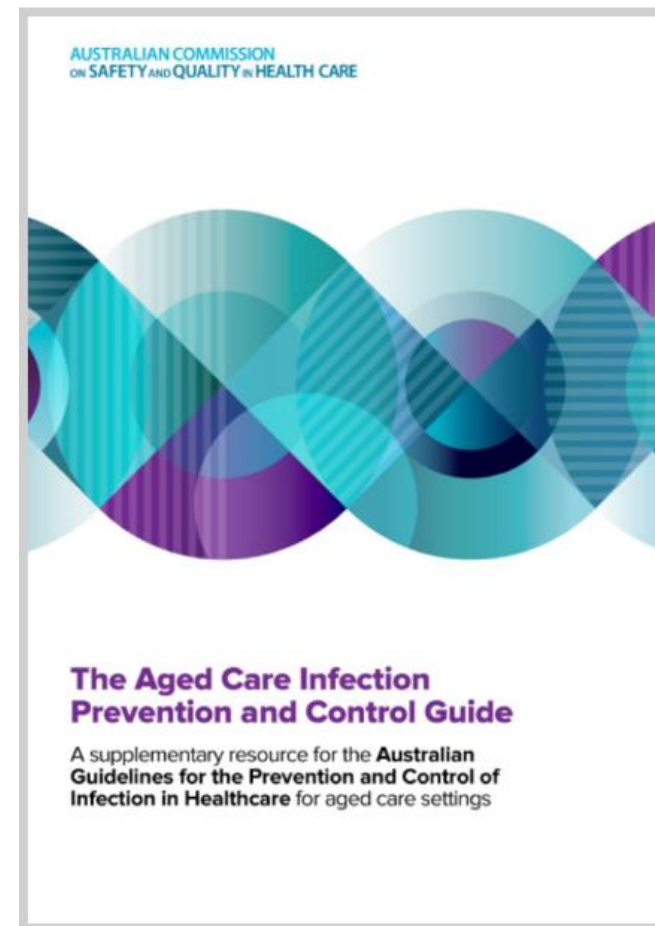
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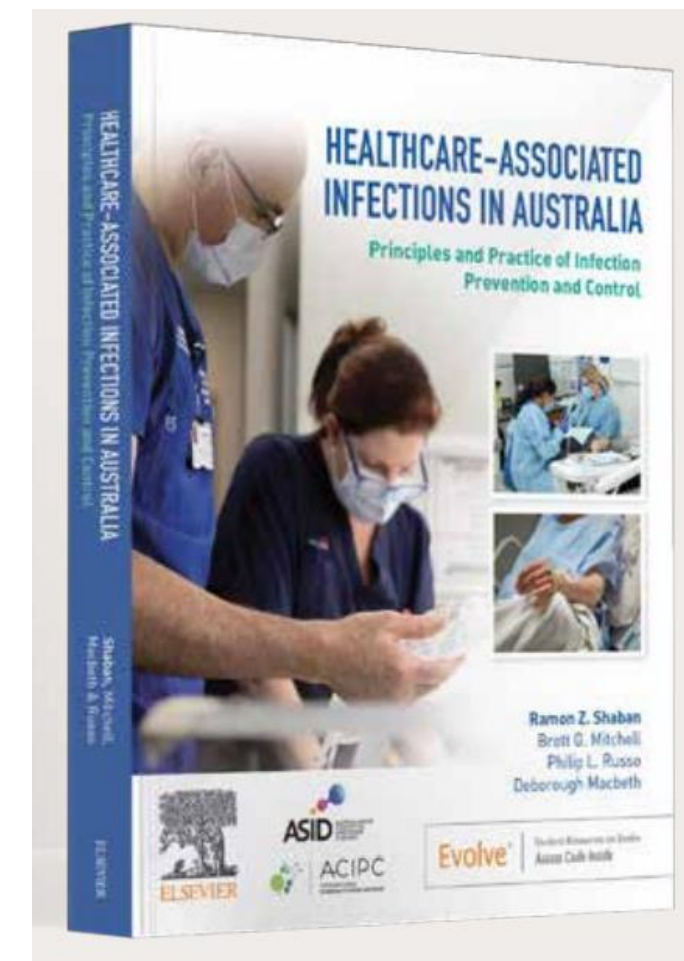
- Read, read and read some more!



[Australian Guidelines for the Prevention and Control of Infection in Healthcare \(2019\)](#)



[The Aged Care Infection Prevention and Control Guide \(2024\)](#)



Healthcare-Associated Infections in Australia. Principles and Practice of Infection Prevention and Control



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2. Informal or self-directed learning

- Read, read and read some more!
- Online courses
 - Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Healthcare (ACSQHC) [IPC and Hand Hygiene Modules](#)
 - [Australasian College for Infection Prevention and Control](#)
 - Others

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 - [ACIPC Infexion Connexion](#)
 - [ACIPC Aged Care Connexion](#)
 - Local health service, organisation or region networking

Members area



MEMBERS ONLY

Infexion Connexion Discussion Group

The College's networking forum, the purpose of which is to facilitate member communication, share ideas

Aged Care Connexion Discussion Group

Aged Care Connexion Discussion Group is a new web-

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- Conference attendance



How to build your credibility as an IPC Professional

1. **Subject matter expertise – know your stuff!**
2. **ACIPC Credentialling**
3. **How to end correspondence – referencing and the importance of credentials**





Questions?

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