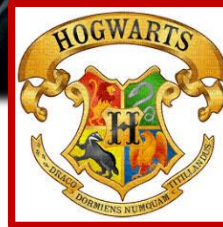
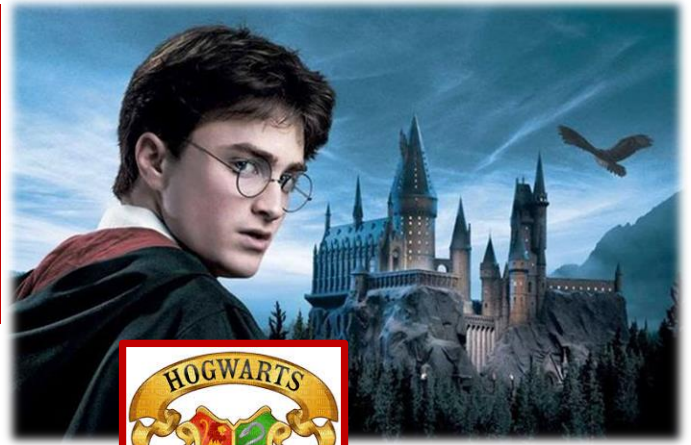


2023 WCLN Regional Meeting
**“The WCLN Joins Harry
 Potter at Hogwarts”**
 AGENDA



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| 7:30 - 8:00 AM | (Check-in & Refreshments) | |
| 8:00 - 8:10 AM | “Welcome to Hogwarts”... (Welcome Remarks & Introductions) | Erin Bowles |
| 8:10 - 8:50 AM | “The Sorting Hat Makes Sense of the Data” ... (Surveillance Update) | Alana Sterkel |
| 8:50 - 9:25 AM | “Lesson in Transfiguration” ... (Rapid Adoption of Sequencing in Public Health Labs) | Allen Bateman |
| 9:25 - 10:00 AM | “The Auror’s Watch”... (Emergent Pathogens and Pathogens to Watch) | Allen Bateman |
| 10:00 - 10:15 AM | “Anyone for Polyjuice Potion?” ... Break | |
| 10:15 – 11:00 AM | “A Quidditch Match – WCLN versus Hepatitis”... (Recommended Strategies for Defeating Hepatitis) | Caroline Mohr |
| 11:00 – 11:45 AM | “Battling the Dementors”... (Fighting Antibiotic Resistance) | Megan Lasure |
| 11:45 – 12:45 PM | “A Hogwarts Feast” ... Lunch | |
| 12:45 – 1:15 PM | “Solving the Clues for the Triwizard Tournament”... (Case Studies) | TBD |
| 1:15 – 1:30 PM | “Time for Butterbeer and Chocolate Frogs!” ... Break | |
| 1:30 – 2:20 PM | “Lesson in Defense Against the Dark Arts”... (Updates to Brucella and Review of Rule-out Testing) | Erin Bowles |
| 2:20 - 3:20 PM | “Preparing for the Ministry of Magic Regulations”... (Implementing Accepted CLSI Revised Breakpoints) | LabTAG |
| 3:20 – 3:30PM | “Favorite Spells”... (What I’ll Take Back to My Lab) | Erin Bowles |



Regional Meeting Objectives

1. Explain the purpose of participating in WSLH surveillance programs and the benefits of submitting isolates.
2. Describe how recent nomenclature changes may impact rule-out testing and how you should use bio-threat agent exercises to help develop your skills in recognizing and ruling out suspect biothreat agents.
3. Discuss ways that the continual evolution of sequencing technology and rapid adoption of this testing in public health laboratories is benefiting public health.
4. Summarize current pathogens that are challenging public health and why and which pathogens are being carefully watched as possible emerging threats to public health.
5. Explain why implementing accepted revisions to breakpoints is important and what you need to do in your laboratory to comply with the new CAP regulation.

Ground Rules

- We want to hear from all of you. This is your Regional Meeting and it is an opportunity to learn from each other.
- Please use a microphone when speaking.
- Show respect to the speaker and do not interrupt.
- All thoughts and comments have value, even if they are different than yours.
- Silence cell phones. If you need to respond to a call please leave the room.
- Do not distract others by typing away on laptops, but rather find a remote space to conduct non-conference business if necessary.

