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Health Department Employee Earns Certified Infection Control Credential

(Milwaukee, WI) – The Certification Board of Infection Control and Epidemiology, Inc. (CBIC®) has announced that Karen Crimmings, RN, Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion Service Manager with the Cerro Gordo County Department of Public Health has earned the Certified in Infection Control (CIC®) credential and has demonstrated a mastery of infection prevention and control knowledge by taking and passing this comprehensive examination. Certification is maintained through successful completion of a recertification examination every five years.

The CBIC® administers the exam certifying individuals as Certified in Infection Control (CIC®). The purpose of the certification process is to protect the public by providing standardized measurement of current basic knowledge needed for persons practicing infection control; encouraging individual growth and study, thereby promoting professionalism among infection prevention and control professionals who fulfill the requirements for certification. Individuals who earn their CIC® credential join approximately 5,000 practitioners worldwide who are Certified in Infection Control. The National Commission for Certifying Agencies (NCCA) accredits CBIC's certification program, which signifies that CBIC® has met the highest national voluntary standards for private certification. CBIC® periodically conducts job analyses to assure that certification measures current practices and knowledge required for infection prevention and control and applied epidemiology.

The CBIC® is a voluntary autonomous multidisciplinary board that provides direction for and administers the certification process for professionals in infection prevention and control and applied epidemiology. CBIC® is independent and separate from any other infection control-related organization or association. For more information about CBIC®, visit www.cbic.org.

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