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Fourth Decennial Conference on Nosocomial Infections, Year 2000

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The CDC has sponsored three previous international conferences on the control of nosocomial infections, in 1970, 1980, and 1990. Plans currently are underway for the newest and largest of these conferences, to be held April 16-19, 2000, at the Marriott Marquis Hotel in Atlanta, Georgia. The Year 2000 conference is sponsored by the CDC and the National Foundation for Infectious Diseases (NFID), and is co-sponsored by the Association for Professionals in Infection Control and Epidemiology, Inc (APIC), and the Society for Healthcare Epidemiology of America, Inc (SHEA), in cooperation with the American Hospital Association (AHA). The Year 2000 conference will be held in conjunction with SHEA's 10th Annual Meeting in the year 2000.

The Year 2000 Coordinating Committee, chaired by the director of the CDC's Hospital Infections Program, with representatives from NFID, APIC, SHEA, and AHA, met recently at the CDC in Atlanta to plan the conference. It is estimated that 2,000 individuals will attend. For the first time, there will be commercial exhibits at the conference. Registration, the opening session, and a reception are scheduled for Saturday, April 15, and plenary, concurrent, and poster sessions will be held through Wednesday, April 19, 2000. Publicity plans are being made.