

Jewel Mullen, MD, MPH, MPA  
Commissioner  
Connecticut Department of Public Health

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In December 2010, Governor Dannel P. Malloy announced his appointment of Dr. Jewel Mullen as Commissioner of the Connecticut Department of Public Health (DPH). As Commissioner, Dr. Mullen oversees the state's leading public health agency whose mission is to protect and improve the health and safety of Connecticut residents.

Prior to joining the Department, Dr. Mullen was Director of the Bureau of Community Health and Prevention at the Massachusetts Department of Public Health. She also is the former medical director of Baystate Mason Square Neighborhood Health Center in Springfield, Massachusetts.

Dr. Mullen began her clinical career as a member of the National Health Service Corps at Bellevue Hospital in New York, after which she joined the medical faculty of the University of Virginia. A Connecticut resident since 1992, she has been a member of the medical staff at the Hospital of St. Raphael, the Yale University Health Services and Yale New Haven Hospital.

Board certified in internal medicine, Dr. Mullen received her Bachelor and Master of Public Health degrees from Yale University where she also completed a post-doctoral fellowship in psychosocial epidemiology. A graduate of the Mount Sinai School of Medicine, she completed her residency at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania. She also holds a Master in Public Administration degree from the Harvard University John F. Kennedy School of Government.

She brings to her role as Commissioner the recognition that efforts to improve the health of individuals and communities must be informed by an understanding of the social context which determines their behaviors and their access to resources.