

2016 Connecticut Healthcare Associated Infections Multidisciplinary Group
(CT HAI Advisory Committee)

Connecticut General Statutes: Section 19a-490 n
Healthcare-Associated Infections (HAI) Committee

(Substitute Senate Bill No.160, Public Act No. 06-142: An Act Concerning Hospital Acquired Infections)

There is established a Committee on Healthcare Associated Infections, which shall consist of the commissioner or the commissioner's designee, and the following members appointed by the commissioner:

- Two members representing the Connecticut Hospital Association;
- Two members from organizations representing health care consumers;
- Two members who are either hospital-based infectious disease specialists or epidemiologists with demonstrated knowledge and competence in infectious disease related issues;
- One representative of the Connecticut State Medical Society;
- One representative of a labor organization representing hospital based nurses; and
- Two public members.

Healthcare Associated Infections Advisory Committee Composition: February 2016

Commissioner or Commissioner's designee:

1. Wendy Furniss, RNC, MS, Branch Chief, Healthcare Quality and Safety Branch, CT DPH, Hartford, CT

Two Representatives from the Connecticut Hospital Association

1. Alison L. Hong, MD, Director, Quality and Patient Safety, CT Hospital Association, Wallingford, CT
2. Carl Schiessl, CT Hospital Association, Wallingford, CT

Two Representatives from Organizations Representing Health Care Consumers

1. Jacqueline Murillo, RN, Office of Healthcare Advocate, State of CT, Hartford, CT
2. Jean Rexford, Exec. Dir., CT Center for Patient Safety, Hartford, CT

Two Representatives from Hospital-based Infectious Disease Specialist or Epidemiologist

1. Louise Dembry, MD, Director, Hospital Epidemiology, VA CT Healthcare System, West Haven, CT
2. Brenda Grant, RN, MPH, CIC, CHES, Manager, Infection Prevention Stamford Hospital, Stamford, CT

One Representative from Connecticut State Medical Society

1. Jack Ross, MD, Chief, Infectious Diseases & Epidemiology, Hartford Hospital, Hartford, CT

One Representative from Labor organization Representing Hospital-based Nurses

1. Dale Cunningham, American Federation of Teachers, Rocky Hill, CT

One Member from the public

1. Lynne Garner, PhD, President and Trustee, The Donaghue Medical Research Foundation, West Hartford, CT
2. Vacant

Total Membership: 11 members