

APIC Election 2019

Election Results



President-Elect

Connie Steed, MSN, RN, CIC, FAPIC

**Director, Infection Prevention
Greenville Health System
Greenville, South Carolina**

Connie Steed is the director of infection prevention at the Greenville Health System, Greenville, South Carolina where she has been for 29 years. Connie oversees an infection prevention program with responsibilities for an academic medical center, six community hospitals, one long term care facility, a psychiatric hospital and over 150 MD practices and ambulatory care locations. Connie has held a number of APIC chapter offices and positions, including chapter president of two different chapters. She has also served on APIC's membership and governmental affairs committees as well as the APIC Board of Directors as an at-large director and as Secretary. Currently, Connie is serving on the APIC Competency Model Task Force. Connie is the 2018 recipient of the APIC President's Distinguished Service Award in Honor of Patricia Lynch. Connie received both her Bachelor and Master's degrees in Nursing from Clemson University. She has been certified in infection prevention and control (CIC) since 1985.

Treasurer

Patricia (Pat) Metcalf Jackson, RN, MA, CIC, FAPIC

**Director, Infection Prevention and Control
Children's Health
Dallas, Texas**

Pat Metcalf Jackson is the director of infection prevention and control at Children's Health, a three-hospital pediatric system in Dallas, Texas. She has been an infection preventionist for the past twenty-four years. Most of her experience has been in the pediatric setting although she has also worked at an adult level one trauma center. Pat has been a member of APIC since 1995. As an APIC-Dallas Ft Worth Chapter member, she served as treasurer and president. At the national level, she has served on the nominating and awards committee, as the section head for the pediatric section, on the public policy and education committees. Pat is currently a member of the APIC Board of Directors and serves on the finance committee. She received her Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing from Baylor University and a Masters of Arts from Dallas Theological Seminary and has been certified in infection prevention and control (CIC) since 1996 and was among the inaugural members of the 2016 APIC fellows class.



At-Large Director

Dorine Berriel-Cass, MA, BSN, RN, CIC, FAPIC

Director, Infection Prevention

Spectrum Health

Grand Rapids, Michigan

Dorine Berriel-Cass has worked in infection prevention and control for over 26 years and is currently the director of infection prevention for Spectrum Health in Grand Rapids, MI. She oversees the infection prevention program for a 1040 bed medical center and 8 regional hospitals. Her primary infection control experience has been in the acute care setting. Dorine has been a member of the Association for Professionals in Infection Control and Epidemiology (APIC) since 1992 and has served locally through APIC-Great Lakes as secretary, nominations chair, program committee, Bio-preparedness chair and chapter president. She has also been a member of the Michigan Society for Infection Prevention and Control since 1992 and has served as program chair. Dorine has a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Mercy College of Detroit and a Master of Arts degree in Healthcare Administration from Siena Heights University. She has been certified in infection prevention and control since 1994. She has also earned the Fellow of APIC designation.



At-Large Director

Kathleen Gase, MBA, MPH, CIC, FAPIC

Group Manager, Clinical Epidemiology

Barnes-Jewish Healthcare

St. Louis, Missouri

Kathleen (Kate) Gase is currently the group manager of clinical epidemiology for BJC HealthCare, a 15-facility healthcare system serving the Greater St. Louis, mid-Missouri, and Illinois regions. Kate's day-to-day responsibilities include coordinating the operational work of the infection prevention, surgical quality improvement, and evidence-based care teams to improve patient outcomes. She earned her undergraduate degree at Washington University in St. Louis and began her infection prevention career at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center (MSKCC). Kate is certified in infection prevention and control (CIC) and has earned her Masters in Public Health degree at Hunter College while working at MSKCC. She has also earned the Fellow of APIC designation.



At-Large Director

Carol Vance, MSN, RN, PHN, CIC

Multi-Site Director, Infection Prevention

Advocate Aurora Healthcare

Park Ridge, Illinois

Carol Vance is the multi-site director of infection prevention for Advocate Aurora Children's Hospital and Interim Christ Medical Center. She graduated in 2017 with her MSN with emphasis in Leadership from Webster University. Ms. Vance has 16 years of nursing experience in the areas of critical care, infection prevention, diabetes education and kidney transplant. She won the APIC Hero Award in 2015 for her program "Plastic Rounds" to decrease Central line Associated Infections and Catheter Associated Urinary tract infections. She has also presented multiple times APIC Annual Conference and most recently at Spring SHEA. Ms. Vance has been active in her local APIC chapter as board member and President Elect. She currently serves on APIC's education committee and is an APIC faculty member. She has taught EPI Intensive and CIC Prep Course for APIC 2018 Annual Conference. Carol received her BSN and RN with a minor in Human Resource Management from California State University Long Beach. Ms. Vance received certification in infection prevention and control (CIC) in 2014.



External Director

JODI LYNN VANDERPOOL, MBA, LNHA, CBPPS, HACP
SYSTEM VICE PRESIDENT, QUALITY OPERATIONS
ST. LUKE'S BOISE
BOISE, IDAHO

Jodi Vanderpool is currently the system vice president for quality operations at St. Luke's Boise, Idaho. She is an accomplished senior leader with more than 22 years of senior level management experience in the healthcare industry with unique, diverse experience in leading functional and overall operational teams in policy development, program implementation, field operations, and regulatory compliance. Jodi has extensive experience within multi-site healthcare organizations which have grown both organically and through merger & acquisition.

Jodi is known for her keen focus on strategy, procedural development, operational execution, and excels in identifying challenges as well as opportunities to partner with applicable management and committee stakeholders to drive repeatable and sustainable results. Ms. Vanderpool received her Bachelor of Arts degree in business administration from the College of Idaho (formerly known as Albertson College of Idaho); she earned her Masters degree in business administration/Executive MBA with a concentration in healthcare administration from Boise State University.



Nominating & Awards Committee

Peggy Thompson, RN, BSN, CIC, FAPIC

**Director, Infection Prevention and Control
Tampa General Hospital
Tampa, Florida**

Peggy Thompson is the director of infection prevention and control at Tampa General Hospital. She is a graduate from the Ohio State University School of Nursing and has been practicing infection prevention since 1988, achieving certification in 1994. She received the Florida Nurses Association Nursing Excellence Award in 2004 and the Heroes in Infection Prevention and Control award from APIC in 2005. She has served as president and president-elect of her local APIC chapter and was on the board of the Florida Professionals in Infection Prevention and Control. She is a member of the Society for Healthcare Epidemiology of America (SHEA) and was awarded the status of Fellow in Infection Prevention and Control by APIC in 2017. She has had the privilege of speaking in South Africa, Canada and Florida on infection prevention topics and has been published in AJIC and ICHE.



Nominating & Awards Committee

Valerie Sparks, RN, MSN, CIC

**Coordinator, Infection Prevention and Occupational Health
Midland Memorial Hospital
Midland, Texas**

Valerie Sparks is currently the coordinator of infection prevention & occupational health at Midland Memorial Hospital in Midland, TX. She began her career in infection control 28 years ago. Valerie has been an active member of APIC for more than 25 years. She authored and updated the chapter on Immunization of Healthcare Personnel in the 2014, 4th edition of the *APIC Text*. She has served in the Texas Society of Infection Control & Prevention (TSICP) organization as president, vice – president and is currently serving as treasurer. Valerie was awarded the Gerry Haynes Award from Texas Society of Infection Control & Prevention in 2014 for her excellence and professional accomplishments in infection control practice. Valerie received her Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing from the University of Nebraska and her Master of Science degree in nursing from the American Sentinel University. She has been certified in infection prevention and control (CIC) for more than 20 years.