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Susan A. Dolan, RN, MS, CIC, FAPIC, hospital epidemiologist at Children's Hospital Colorado, is 2016 president of the Association for Professionals in Infection Control and Epidemiology (APIC). Ms. Dolan has contributed to advocacy, clinical practice, education, and research in the field of infection prevention for more than 20 years. As an advocate for healthcare-associated infection (HAI) public policy, she spearheaded the crafting and passage of Colorado's first HAI reporting bill in 2006. Ms. Dolan's outbreak investigative work uncovered contamination of alcohol prep pads, which resulted in an international recall of the product and changes in industry

standards. Her role in discovering contaminated alcohol prep pads earned her a Group Recognition Award from the FDA Office of Regulatory Affairs in 2012.

Ms. Dolan served on APIC's Public Policy Committee during a critical and progressive time in public reporting, pay for performance and regulatory change, and went on to chair the committee in 2010 and 2011. She was a member of the Regulatory Review Panel from 2012-2013 and senior advisor from 2014-2015. In 2013, Ms. Dolan was elected to the APIC Board of Directors and has served on the Policy and Bylaws Committee, Audit Committee, Finance Committee, Annual Conference Committee, Executive Committee, and was also the CBIC liaison. Ms. Dolan has served in various positions for the APIC Mile High (Colorado) chapter including president, legislative representative, and member of the board of directors, Program Committee, Nominating Committee, and Membership Committee.

Throughout her career, she has been a mentor for infection preventionists providing consultation and education to both APIC members, as well as related colleagues from across the healthcare spectrum. Ms. Dolan has spoken at numerous local and national conferences; she has also been active in several local and national infection prevention working groups and collaboratives, including the Colorado Health Facility Acquired Infection Advisory Committee, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Deputy Infection Preventionist, CDC Pediatric and Neonatal VAE Surveillance Definition Working Group, US News and World Report's Pediatric Infection Control Working Group, Child Health Corporate of America's Infection Prevention Directors Steering Committee, and the National Association of Children's Hospitals and Related Institutions Hematology/Oncology CLABSI Team and its Blood Culture Guideline Working Group.

Ms. Dolan has received numerous honors including Infection Control Today's Educator of the Year Award in 2002, APIC Hero of Infection Prevention Award in 2006, APIC President's Distinguished Service Award in 2012, and the 2012 SHEA Advanced Practice Infection Preventionist Award. Ms. Dolan was the recipient of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment's first Infection Prevention Champion Award in 2011, and the prestigious Colorado Nightingale Luminary Award in 2012. Children's Hospital Colorado has honored her over the years with various recognitions such as the Children's Choice Award, the Family Centered Care Award, the Medical Staff Excellence in Quality and Patient Safety Award, the Pillar Award, the Advance Practice Nurse of the Year Award, and National Magnet nominee.

She has more than 30 peer-reviewed publications and abstracts ranging from topics such as pediatric neurosurgical shunt infections, prevention of central line-associated bloodstream infections in specialty populations, pediatric *C. difficile*, injection safety, public policy, and infection control in anesthesia.

Ms. Dolan's leadership skills, knowledge base and passion for infection prevention position her to lead APIC forward as we align together toward our common mission of creating a safer world through the prevention of infection.