



MARY MCGOLDRICK'S PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

Mary McGoldrick, MS, RN, CRNI, FAAN, has been a pioneer in infection prevention and control in home care and hospice for over 25 years, with seminal works published on infection prevention and control for the home health and hospice industries. Mary is a Home Care and Hospice Consultant for Home Health Systems, Inc., which she founded in 1989. She provides domestic and international home care and hospice consulting services on regulatory and accrediting body compliance, infection prevention and control strategies, and serves as an Infection Preventionist for home health agencies and hospices.

Mary began her home care career as a home health aide more than 40 years ago. Since that time, she has served in a myriad of home care clinical, management, and executive-level positions, including a hospice volunteer. Additionally, she served as a home care and hospice surveyor for The Joint Commission (TJC) for 12 years. During this time, Mary was selected to serve as the nurse surveyor on a team with a physician and hospital administrator to survey TJC against its non-patient-focused standards. In addition, for TJC, Mary served as faculty for ten years, educating the public on TJC's home care and hospice standards' compliance.

In October 2021, Mary was inducted into the American Academy of Nursing for developing the infection prevention and control guidelines and standards from which home health care and hospice providers practice and are used by state regulators, accrediting bodies, professional associations, and researchers worldwide. These guidelines were originally published in the Association for Professionals in Infection Control and Epidemiology's (APIC) *Infection Control in Home Care and Hospice* book and updated in the second edition. Mary has continued to update the guidelines in the *Home Care Infection Prevention and Control Program* manual. Mary has also published other books, chapters, and numerous journal articles on the topic. For the Infusion Nurses Society (INS), Mary was the author of the "Infection Prevention and Control" chapters in the textbook *Infusion Nursing: An Evidence-Based Approach* and the *Core Curriculum for Infusion Nursing 4th edition*, and also a co-author of the *2016 Infusion Therapy Standards of Practice*. In addition, Mary is a contributing author to the "Infection Prevention" column for the *Home Healthcare Now* journal.

As a joint CDC HICPAC and APIC committee member, Mary collaborated on the first set of infection surveillance definitions for home health and home hospice providers. In addition, she served on committees for TJC and CHAP to update their infection prevention and control accreditation standards, which have been implemented by home care providers throughout the United States. Mary is a frequently invited speaker on infection prevention and control topics and has given over 145 presentations to the public at large with four international, 105 national, and 41 state/regional presentations. Presentations include speaking at the NAHC, INS, NHIA, and APIC annual meetings, the CDC's Fifth Decennial International Conference on Healthcare-associated Infections, TJC's Executive Briefings, and conducting webinars for NAHC, APIC, CHAP, ACHC, the VNAA, and TJC's home care surveyors. She has also served as an adjunct professor at Mercer University's Graduate School of Business and Economics in Atlanta, GA, for five years. Mary is considered a "go-to" expert for education and support for in-home infection prevention and control-related topics.