OVERVIEW
Co-sponsored by the Institute for Health Care Education and the Capitol Region Alliance for Research and Research Utilization, this all-day conference will provide a venue for presentation of evidence based practices for the Prevention of Infectious Diseases.

The keynote address will be delivered by Elaine Larson, RN, Ph.D., FAAN, CIC. The morning session includes your choice of co-current abstract presentations and skill building sessions.

Lunch and poster awards presentation will be followed by the plenary address given by Mary Louise Welch, RN, Ph.D. The afternoon will conclude with a summary, evaluation, and a book raffle.

CONTACT HOURS
5.3 Contact hours will be awarded to participants who attend the entire conference. Partial contact hours will be awarded based on the number of sessions attended.

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REGISTRATION
Conference fee includes refreshment breaks, buffet lunch, and conference materials:

Registration Fees:
No Charge: Hartford Health Care Corporation (HHCC) employees*
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Travel Directions
West: Enter city via I-84. Take Capitol Avenue exit. At light, take left onto Capitol Avenue, right onto Washington Street. Go through 4 traffic lights. At 3rd traffic light take left on street between Medical Building and Connecticut Children's Medical Center. Public Parking Garage is on the left.
East: Take downtown Hartford Exit. Take left onto Columbus Boulevard (it become Wyllys Street). Cross through 3 traffic lights and straight onto Jefferson Street. At 2nd traffic light, take a left onto Seymour Street. The Public Parking Garage is on the right side behind the 85 Seymour Street Medical Building.
North/South: Take I-91 to Capitol Area Exit (29A). Follow until exit ends at a rotary (Pulaski Circle). Follow the rotary 3/4 of the way around and take right onto Hudson Street. Follow Hudson Street to the end. Take a right onto Jefferson Street. At next traffic light, take a left onto Seymour Street. The Public Parking Garage is on the right side behind the 85 Seymour Street Medical Building.

Conference Site
The conference is being held in the Education and Resource Center (ERC), 360 Hudson Street. The ERC building is located one block northeast of the Parking Garage (left on Seymour St., take right on Jefferson St., left on Hudson St., building on right.)
PROGRAM SCHEDULE

7:15 AM REGISTRATION/Coffee & Danish Heublein Hall, ERC lobby

8:00 AM WELCOME Joan MacRae, RNC, MS Co-Chairperson, Planning Committee Heublein Hall

8:05 AM OPENING REMARKS & INTRODUCTION OF KEYNOTE SPEAKER Laura Caramanica, RN, Ph.D. Vice President Nursing, Hartford Hospital Heublein Hall

8:15 AM KEYNOTE ADDRESS: How Clean Should We Be? Elaine Larson, RN, Ph.D., FAAN, CIC Heublein Hall

9:15 AM COFFEE BREAK Heublein Hall

9:45 AM SKILL BUILDING PRESENTATIONS:

PRESENTATION A (ERC Room 217) Critiquing Quantitative Research: How to know what you are counting, counts Sheryl Horowitz, BA, Ph.D. Research Analyst, Hartford Hospital

PRESENTATION B (ERC Robinson Library, 3rd floor) Searching the Research Literature Arleen Freed, MLS AHIP and Ellen MacNaughton, MLS Health Sciences Library, Hartford Hospital

CONCURRENT ABSTRACT PRESENTATIONS:

PRESENTATION A (ERC Room 218) Surveillance of Hemodialysis-associated Primary Bloodstream Infections: The Experience of Ten Hospital Centers Susan Malo-Schlegel, RN, MPH, CIC Epidemiology Clinician Hartford Hospital

MRSA and Barrier Precautions in a Critical Care Unit Dwayne Karwowsky, RN, BS, MS, CIC Nurse Epidemiologist, Stamford Hospital

PRESENTATION B (ERC Room 221) Cultural Caring in Nursing Practice: A Meta-synthesis of Qualitative Research Maren Coffman, RN, MS, CIC Assistant Professor of Nursing, St. Joseph College

Family Decision Making at the End of Life Cary Bouley, RN, MS, CS, Yale New Haven Hospital

PRESENTATION C (Heublein Hall) The Role of Learning Communities Sherry Bassi, RN, E.D.D., CS Assistant Professor, University of CT Carol Polifroni, RN, E.D.D., CNA A Assistant Professor, University of CT

11:00 AM SKILL BUILDING PRESENTATIONS:

PRESENTATION C (ERC Room 217) Qualitative Research Beyond the Stats Marta Tackett, RN, MSN, CCRN, CEN Nurse Director, Hartford Hospital

PRESENTATION D (ERC Robinson Library, 3rd floor) Searching the Research Literature Arleen Freed, MLS AHIP and Ellen MacNaughton, MLS Health Sciences Library, Hartford Hospital

CONCURRENT ABSTRACT PRESENTATIONS:

PRESENTATION D (ERC Room 218) Use of Hydrotherapy for Pain Relief during Labor Denise Bourque, RN, BS Staff Nurse, Labor & Delivery, Hartford Hospital

Factors Enhancing Learning during Education Sessions Deborah Dillen McDonald, RN, Ph.D. Associate Professor, University of CT Marjorie Wieczorek, Deborah Hoover, Gail Kulesza, Anna Stefanski University of CT

PRESENTATION E (ERC Room 221) Advanced Organ Support and Transplantation Irene Wood, CN, Staff Nurse Transplant Unit, Hartford Hospital

Critical Inquiry for Nursing Practice Joyce Fontana, RN, MSN, Doctoral Student, Assistant Professor, St. Joseph College

12:30 PM LUNCHEON Heublein Hall

Musical Entertainment: N'Tyle Poster Awards - ERC Formal Lounge 1st floor

1:15 PM PLENARY ADDRESS: Florence Nightingale and the Origins of Home Health Care Marylouise Welch, RN, Ph.D. Associate Professor St. Joseph's College Heublein Hall

2:15 PM CONFERENCE WRAP UP Heublein Hall Summary, Evaluation, and Book Giveaways

*Florence Nightingale Exhibit is comprised of two personal collections of Nightingale memorabilia contributed by Nurse Historians Christina Beaudoin, APRN and Eleanor Herrmann, RN

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Elaine Larson, RN, Ph.D., FAAN, CIC is currently the Professor of Pharmaceutical and Therapeutic Research, Columbia University School of Nursing. Her career has included the positions of Dean, Georgetown University School of Nursing, Associate Director of Nursing, Georgetown Hospital, along with the Nursing Professor of Clinical Nursing and Director of the Center for Research at the Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing. Dr. Larson has received a baccalaureate and Masters of Arts in nursing, Masters degree in microbiology, and Doctorate in epidemiology. She is a Fellow of the American Academy of Nursing, Infectious Disease Society of America, New York Academy of Medicine, and the Institute of Medicine. Dr. Larson is currently the Chair of the CDC's Healthcare Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee (HICPAC), Editor of the American Journal of Infection Control, and a liaison member of the Board of Scientific Counselors, National Center for Infectious Diseases, CDC. She has published more than 190 journal articles, 4 books, and a number of book chapters in the areas of infection prevention, epidemiology, and clinical research. As a consultant in infection control and nursing, Dr. Larson has travel to international settings such as Kuwait, Jordan, Singapore, Australia, Ghana, Peru, Brazil, Spain, France and Egypt.

PLENARY SPEAKER

Marylouise Welch, RN, Ph.D. received her diploma from Massachusetts General Hospital School of Nursing, BS from the University of Pennsylvania, MS from the University of Connecticut, and Ph.D. in Medical Anthropology from the University of Connecticut. She is currently an Associate Professor at Saint Joseph College where she has taught for the past twenty years. The philosophy of the Saint Joseph College of Nursing is based on the writings of Florence Nightingale. Dr. Welch has published several articles on Nightingale's contributions to the discipline of nursing.

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