



Western Connecticut
Health Network

Danbury Hospital · New Milford Hospital · Norwalk Hospital

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Richard Melchreit, MD
Healthcare Associated Infections Program Coordinator
Connecticut Department of Public Health
410 Capitol Avenue; MS #11FDS
Hartford, CT 06134

Re: Danbury Hospital

Dear Dr. Melchreit,

We are committed to a culture of excellence and patient safety is our top priority. We take the Healthcare-Associated Infections very seriously as evidenced by the favorable results in almost all areas. It is important to note the report is based on outdated findings (2015) that do not reflect our current performance.

We continue to work to improve our surgical safety initiatives and patient outcomes. We identified an opportunity to improve our process around Abdominal Hysterectomy and have implemented new protocols and practices, beginning in 2015. As a result of these efforts, we have seen a progressive reduction of infections in these procedures.

We are confident that our quality and patient safety efforts will continue to demonstrate success and we remain committed to delivering outstanding care to everyone we serve.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in purple ink that reads "Sharon Adams".

Sharon Adams
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