

Advisory Committee on Medical Exemptions (ACME)
Virtual Meeting January 15, 2025

Attendees:

Inci Yildirim M.D.; Yale School of Medicine-Chair ACME
Deepa Mavani, Department of Public Health Interim Immunization Program Manager
Lori Flaherty; Supervisor of Non-Public School Nurses West Hartford
Rob Dudley M.D.; Pediatrician CHC of New Britain
Susan Amster, P.A.; Physician Assistant
Patricia Firmender, Epidemiologist; Department of Public Health Immunization Program
Mick Bolduc; Department of Public Health Immunization Program
Chlo-Anne Bobrowski; State of Connecticut Department of Education Division of School Health

Absent:

Ricky Baltimore; Chief Legal Counsel State Democrats
Keisha Hewitt; Nurse Consultant State of Connecticut Office of Early Childhood

Meeting was called to order at 1:02 PM by Mick Bolduc of the Immunization Program.

A motion was made to accept the minutes from the November 13, 2024, meeting and seconded. There were no objections to the acceptance of the minutes. Patricia Firmender presented information on the 2023-24 school immunization survey data which continues to increase which is in contrast to the trend nationally. Of note, the number of schools below 95% for MMR coverage decreased and the religious exemptions decreased to 0.1%. A motion was made by Chlo-Anne to take the committee into executive session to discuss confidential data from the medical exemption portal for the next portion of the meeting.

Attendees in the executive session were Inci Yildirim M.D., Deepa Mavani, Lori Flaherty, Rob Dudley M.D., Patricia Firmender, Chlo-Anne Bobrowski; and Mick Bolduc.

The committee exited the executive session at 2:08 PM. A date for the next meeting has yet to be determined.

The meeting adjourned at 2:08 PM.

Minutes submitted by Mick Bolduc Connecticut Immunization Program