

# AIRA 2018-2019 Board of Directors Candidates

Candidates are listed alphabetically by first name.

## President-Elect Candidates

Select one candidate:

- Aaron Bieringer | MIIC Interoperability and Technical Lead, Minnesota IIS
- Quan Le | IIS Manager, Louisiana Department of Health

## Treasurer Candidates

Select one candidate:

- Heather Roth | Deputy Immunization Branch Chief, IIS Manager, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment
- Mary Woinarowicz | IIS Manager, North Dakota Department of Health

## Board of Director Voting Member Candidates

Select up to three candidates:

- Christy Gray | Director, Division of Immunization, Virginia Department of Health
- Dannette Dronenburg | Acting IIS Manager, Washington State Department of Health
- Jeffrey McIntyre | IIS Manager, Mississippi Immunization Program
- Nathalie Hartert | IIS Director, Tennessee Immunization Program

## Non-Voting Director Candidates

Select one candidate:

- Gary Wheeler | DXC Technology
- Mike Berry | Senior Project Manager, HLN Consulting, LLC
- Steve Murchie | CEO, Envision Technology Partners, Inc.
- Tiffany Dent | Executive Director of Public Health Client Services, Scientific Technologies Corporation

We asked candidates the following questions:



What is your current role within your organization? How long have you worked in immunizations and/or IIS?



In what ways have you participated within AIRA?



What is one quality that would make you a great AIRA board member?

## President-Elect Candidates (select one)

Aaron Bieringer | MIIC Interoperability and Technical Lead, Minnesota IIS



I am the Interoperability and Technical lead, assistant registry manager, and IT liaison. I have worked with immunizations/IIS for 9 years in November.



I am a co-chair of the MACAW, I participate in the JDI, MQE, SISC, and SISC technical workgroups. I have coordinated comments to AIRA from MN on several CDC NPRM opportunities, won the AIRA volunteer service award in 2017, presented at several of the past AIRA national meetings, and am a current voting AIRA board member



My willingness to look at discussions from multiple points of view and act in the best interest of the IIS community. I have a mix of both technical and programmatic experience and while I bring specific knowledge about how Minnesota does things I also am aware that there are sometimes better ways to do things than what we have in place.

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Quan Le | IIS Manager, Louisiana Department of Health



I am the IIS Manager for the Louisiana Department of Health. I have been working in the Immunization Program for 27 years. For the past 17 years, I have been serving as the IIS Manager.



I have participated in many of AIRA's events and activities, from the 1st national and regional meetings to the discovery session calls and AART evaluations. I have also served several different roles within AIRA, from an SME for the IIS Security Guidance Document to a board member.



I believe that my knowledge and experience, both in the programmatic and technical areas of the IIS, are important contributors in the quality that is essential in serving as AIRA President Elect. With the current environment in our IIS community, it is important to consider the impact of IIS sustainability and interoperability and help to provide guidance in these areas.

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Role & Work in Immunizations/IIS



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## Treasurer Candidates (select one)

Heather Roth | Deputy Immunization Branch Chief, IIS Manager, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment



I am the Deputy Immunization Branch Chief and IIS Program Manager for the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment. In this dual role, I plan, organize, direct and evaluate programmatic and IIS operations. I have worked in immunizations for 11 years and specifically within the IIS field for 9 years. During that time, I have filled many IIS positions: training and outreach, interoperability and Meaningful Use project management, data quality monitoring and overall IIS program management (including fiscal, vendor and grant management).



I have served as co-chair of the AIRA Assessment Steering Committee (ASC) since late 2012 and have participated in various ASC workgroups, contributing to the creation of the following documents: Analytic Guide for Assessing Vaccination Coverage Using an IIS; Practice Examples of IIS Population-Based Coverage Assessments; Comparing and Communicating Vaccination Coverage Estimates from IIS, NIS and Related Assessments; Data Validation Guide for the IIS Onboarding Process; and IIS Data Quality Practices - Monitoring and Evaluating Data Submissions. In addition, I have attended, presented at and moderated sessions at many of the AIRA national meetings, and I regularly attend AIRA educational webinars and community forums.



In my role as Deputy Immunization Branch Chief, I try to identify new ways for our IIS to better integrate across our Branch (e.g., VFC and AFIX programs) while also engaging additional partners both within and external to our state health department (e.g., WIC, Emergency Preparedness, Medicaid, Child Fatality Prevention, Infant Safe Sleep). I know the challenges (and triumphs!) of operating an IIS - and I believe that I can honorably represent AIRA's vision and mission as a director if afforded the opportunity.

Mary Woinarowicz | IIS Manager, North Dakota Department of Health



I am the IIS Manager in North Dakota. I have worked in immunizations/IIS for 7 years, all with the ND Immunization Program and North Dakota IIS.



I am the current co-chair of SISC; I was previously on the AIRA Board as Secretary, President Elect/President/Immediate Past President; I have participated on the AIRA Strategic Planning Committee, Bylaws Committee and website workgroup; and I helped develop the Data at Rest DQ guide and the on-boarding best practices guidance document as a SME.



I am task-oriented, meaning I like to see projects and products finished and decisions made so the organization can continue to grow and move forward.



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## Board of Director Voting Member Candidates (select three)

Christy Gray | Director, Division of Immunization, Virginia Department of Health



As Director of the Division of Immunization at the Virginia Department of Health, I am the immunization program manager for Virginia. I have been working in Virginia's immunization program since 2009. I began with Virginia's IIS as a trainer and then business plan and data quality manager. I've been now overseeing Virginia's immunization program since 2017 but remain involved with registry activities.



I attend AIRA annual meetings, discovery sessions, AART analysis and review, SmartyStreets workgroup. In my new role, I coordinated a team to participate in the AIRA SmartyStreets Geocoding project.



I have years of experience in IIS on the micro level and recognize how vital it is to a successful immunization program. In my new role, I now look at the registry's use on the macro level and consider all the ways it can be used and improved to meet immunization program needs.

Dannette Dronenburg | Acting IIS Manager, Washington State Department of Health



I am the Acting IIS Manager and have worked in immunizations/IIS for about 7 years.



I am involved in the AIRA Education Steering Committee, National Meeting Planning Committee, and Regional Workshops.



I have experience from different perspectives including immunization & IIS work at the provider level, local health level, and state level that gives me a good understanding of how the IIS benefits all end users.

Jeffrey McIntyre | IIS Manager, Mississippi Immunization Program



I currently serve the state of Mississippi as the IIS Manager. In this role I manage our interoperability and registry departments along with maintaining our state immunization system (MIIX). I have worked directly with the IIS for 3½ years and in public health for 12½ years.



I have participated in AIRA national and regional meetings since coming to the IIS side. I am in the education steering committee as well as the SISC technical workgroup. I am always looking for more ways to get involved in the community.



Passion of mission. I believe the IIS is vital for public health and want to continue to find new ways to strengthen it.



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I am the IIS manager with the Tennessee Immunization Program. I have worked in immunizations/IIS for 4 years. I have been Tennessee's IIS manager since October 2014. Before joining the Tennessee Department of Health, I worked for the Office of eHealth on a project that aimed at connecting the Tennessee HIEs with the Immunization Registry.



I attend the annual AIRA meetings. I presented and facilitated at the annual meeting. I join the Board, Partners and Membership, Discovery, Town Hall and Standards and Interoperability Steering Committee meetings when time allows.



I have been an IT project manager for + 20 years. This project and contract management experience helped our team when migrating from a homegrown to an off-the-shelf IIS in 2014/2015. Migrating to a new IIS with a team of epidemiologists, nurses and administrators have taught me a lot about IIS. I believe that these experiences will help me be a great AIRA board member.

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## Non-Voting Director Candidates (select one)

Gary Wheeler | Account Executive and Strategist, DXC Technology



I am an IIS Executive and Strategist, which includes DXC's role within the immunization community and working to meet the evolving needs of the community within IIS. I've worked in immunizations/IIS for over 13 years.



I have been engaged as a member and supporter of AIRA since 2007. Over the years much of my work has been in a contributing and supporting role of AIRA activities. From the vendor community I really have viewed my role to provide insight from the operational side of IIS while helping to provide vision to the IIS community and supporting the concerns of the immunization community we serve. Some of the key (and more recent) highlights have included:

- Active member of the JDI workgroup
- Reviewer and contributor to AIRA published guides, most recently security guidelines
- Support of DXC staff and members participating in AIRA sponsored workgroup and panels to provide key expertise as appropriate
- Supporter, sponsor, and contributor to AIRA national meetings including past participation on event planning committee
- Contributor to Snapshots
- Active engagement on our road to what is now IIS validation
- Passionate voice of seeing the IIS community succeed with engagement with AIRA board members and workgroups to support special projects to help provide perspective and guidance for the future.



Supportive Visionary – I work to help bring groups together and provide the support and guidance for organizations to move forward. As a community, we have a lot to be proud of, most importantly...adapting to change. Since my engagement in 2005 in this community change is constant and sometimes that change can just seem normal. However, we are at a point of another major change in our community...the digital age. As a community we are changing in a significant way to meet the demands of instantaneous information, sustainable budgets, and driving innovation in technology and processes to meet the growing reliance on immunization programs and systems. With my 13+ years in the community and operational experience with IIS nationally, I will bring a broad perspective to the board and an energy to assist AIRA in evolving to meet and support the needs of the immunization community in the digital ages. As a 'Supportive Visionary' I will bring the perspective of the digital age, represent the community, and work diligently to drive and support consensus on the AIRA board and we work to provide the support to the community to meet the demands of the digital age.

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Mike Berry | Senior Project Manager, HLN Consulting, LLC



I am a member of the management team and serve as a project manager, consultant, and developer on IIS projects, open source IIS software initiatives, and other engagements related to health information systems integration, public health informatics, and Health Information Exchange (HIE). I've worked in the IIS world for over 15 years.



I've participated in several AIRA workgroups, including the Website Workgroup, the Web Services and Real-Time Data Exchange Workgroup, and the Transport Layer Workgroup. I've presented at several AIRA National Meetings and served as a breakout session moderator and roundtable moderator.



I have a unique IIS perspective, having been involved in both technical and non-technical aspects of several IIS and HIE projects.

Steve Murchie | CEO, Envision Technology Partners, Inc.



I am co-owner and CEO of Envision Technology Partners. On a daily basis, I manage our development organization, product direction, and relationships with partners and industry groups. I have worked in IIS since 2011, when my wife (Claire) and I acquired Envision from the prior owner. Prior to that I spent over 20 years in the computer software industry, mostly in data-centric disciplines.



I serve actively in the Joint Development Initiative Workgroup, and the spin-off group for Address Validation. Currently I'm a co-chair of the Smarty Streets user group. I've also been a reviewer and contributor for a number of AIRA guidance documents; participant in most workgroups at one time or another; and volunteer for various tasks at the annual conference.



While I represent a particular vendor, I've been a career-long proponent of industry associations that serve all the participants in a sector. Doing so, I have learned to set aside vested interest and focus on the overall success of all parties involved.



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My current role is Executive Director of Public Health Client Services at Scientific Technologies Corporation. In my role, I have oversight of our Account Management and Support Teams as well as our Public Health Consultants. I have worked in Immunizations for over 7 years.



I have attended several AIRA conferences over the past few years, and also participate in several webinars.



A quality that would make me a great board member is that I offer a unique perspective from both the public and private sectors. I worked for a State Health Department for 5 years prior to joining STC, and continuing to work in partnership with the entire community to drive the IIS forward is a passion of mine.

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