

Remembering Shirley R. Bradley....

Shirley R. Bradley was a founding member of the Association for Professionals in Infection Control and Epidemiology (APIC). In 1969, she became the first nurse in Western MA to specialize in the emerging field of infection control. In 1974, Shirley, along with Carole DeMille, Betsy Pantelick, and other regional ICPs, became the architects of APIC's first chapter, APIC New England. Shirley served as APIC's National president from 1977-78. She attended the first international conference on infection control in 1978; it was held at the European office of the World Health Organization in Copenhagen, Denmark, and she was appointed international secretary. Shirley was a member of APIC's Local Advisory Council 1981-84 and was APIC's Historian 1981-84. In 1983, Shirley was involved in the formation of the International Federation of Infection Control (IFIC) and was appointed its Chairman in 1985. She served as IFIC's Chairman of the Board until 1989. It is with great fondness and gratitude that the members of APIC New England remember Shirley Bradley for her many contributions to the field of infection control, her guidance, foresight, and friendship. Sadly, Shirley Bradley passed away on January 9, 2016. Although she is no longer with us, her vision, influence, and wisdom will be felt by APIC New England - Chapter One, and by all Infection Preventionists now and in the future.



Shirley Bradley, new APIC president, is congratulated at her installation by Max Larwin of the Professional Division of West Chemical Products, sponsor of the presidential pin. Mr. Larwin presented the uniquely crafted pin at APIC '77. Both Mrs. Bradley and Carole DeMille (APIC's immediate past-president) are wearing the sign of the office as a pendant.

