



Great Lakes Border Health Initiative Legal Subcommittee

The Legal Subcommittee was integral in the development of the *Public Health Data Sharing Agreement*, which has been ratified by all of the GLBHI member states and Ontario. They also serve to vet the public health information policies and law of potential new GLBHI member states in order to ensure that the data shared between the jurisdictions will remain secure.

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All member states/provinces are thoroughly evaluated by the Legal Subcommittee prior to a recommendation to the Steering Committee to sign the *Infectious Disease Emergency Communications Guideline* or the *Public Health Data Sharing Agreement*.

In addition to their primary committee duties, the Subcommittee provides legal counsel for other GLBHI activities as needed. The group meets monthly to bi-monthly via teleconference and once yearly, in person, at the GLBHI annual conference.

The 2011 Legal Subcommittee is chaired by Shelley Malofsky of Wisconsin and Liam Scott of Ontario.