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Dr. Mullen is a physician and epidemiologist whose career has spanned clinical, research, teaching and administrative roles focused on improving the health of all people, especially the underserved. She is recognized nationally and internationally as a leader in building effective community-based chronic disease prevention programs, and for her commitment to improving individual and population health by strengthening coordination between community, public health and health care systems.

As the Acting Assistant Secretary for Health and Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Health, Dr. Mullen oversees the offices within of the Office of Assistant Secretary for Health with the goal of fostering collaboration across its programs to advance public health. She is the lead liaison for the HHS Regions and advises the Acting Assistant Secretary for Health on a variety of priority public health issues.

Before joining HHS, Dr. Mullen served for five years as Commissioner of the Connecticut Department of Public Health. From 2014 to 2015 she was President of the Association of State and Territorial Health Officials.