



Communities for Change: Preventing Suicide

SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

(In order of appearance on the program)

KATHRYN SANTORO, MA is Director of Programming at the National Institute for Health Care Management (NIHCM), Foundation, a nonprofit and nonpartisan organization dedicated to transforming health care through evidence and collaboration. Ms. Santoro currently leads NIHCM's programs to highlight market and policy innovations, including webinars and Capitol Hill briefings, and directs the organization's journalism and population health programs.

Ms. Santoro joined NIHCM Foundation in September 2004 after receiving her Master's degree in Public Policy from the George Washington University with a focus on women's health policy. Ms. Santoro previously served as a Project Consultant for Women in Government where she was responsible for compiling a state-by-state report card on access to cervical cancer screening. While pursuing her Master's degree, Ms. Santoro was a Communications Assistant for a health policy consulting firm and a Graduate Intern for a Washington, D.C. based women's and children's policy research organization. Ms. Santoro attended Villanova University in Villanova, PA and graduated with a BA cum laude in Political Science.

RICHARD MCKEON, PhD MPH received his Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology from the University of Arizona, and a Master's of Public Health in Health Administration from Columbia University. He has spent most of his career working in community mental health, including 11 years as director of a psychiatric emergency service and 4 years as Associate Administrator/Clinical Director of a hospital-based community mental health center in Newton, New Jersey. In 2001, he was awarded an American Psychological Association Congressional Fellowship and worked in the United States Senate, covering health and mental health policy issues. He spent 5 years on the Board of the American Association of Suicidology as Clinical Division Director and has also served on the Board of the Division of Clinical Psychology of the American Psychological Association. He is currently Chief for the Suicide Prevention Branch in the Center for Mental Health Services, of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, where he oversees all branch suicide prevention activities, including the Garrett Lee Smith State/Tribal Youth Suicide Prevention, and Campus Suicide Prevention grant programs, the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline, the Suicide Prevention Resource Center, and the Native Connections program. In 2008, he was appointed by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to the Secretary's Blue Ribbon Work Group on Suicide Prevention. In 2009, he was appointed by the Secretary of Defense to the Department of Defense Task Force on Suicide Prevention in the Military. He served on the National Action Alliance for Suicide Prevention Task Force that revised the National Strategy for Suicide Prevention and

participated in the development of WHO's World Suicide Prevention Report. He is also the Co-Chair of the Federal Working Group on Suicide Prevention.

NORA MALOY, DrPH is the Director of Programs for the Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Foundation. She is responsible for the Foundation's grant programs including research grants, community grants and special initiatives where she develops and implements grant programs on specific topics as well as provides technical assistance to applicants. Ms. Maloy is currently lead co-chair the Council of Michigan Foundation's, Health Affinity Group, of all Michigan health funders. She also leads several state-wide funding partnerships and collaboratives.

Ms. Maloy serves on the board of several non-profit organizations including Packard Health, a safety net clinic in Washtenaw County and the Cancer Support Community of Ann Arbor. She also serves on an advisory group for Michigan's Center for Nursing. After receiving a master's degree in health services administration, she was awarded a Pew Fellowship to study health policy at the doctoral level at the University of Michigan School of Public Health.

GLORIA WORKMAN, PhD Dr. Gloria Workman is a clinical psychologist with a background in community psychology and suicide prevention as well as implementation science. She joins OMHSP as the Deputy Director, Research and Program Evaluation-Suicide Prevention. She most recently served as Section Chief, Knowledge Translation and Integration in the Psychological Health and Readiness Branch within the Workforce Health and Safety Division in the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). In that role, she was responsible for developing and implementing suicide prevention initiatives, and evaluating and recommending evidence-based resilience initiatives to optimize workforce health and performance.

Prior to her time at DHS, Dr. Workman served as the Chief, Early Intervention and Prevention, in the Psychological Health Promotion Directorate of the Deployment Health Clinical Center (under the Defense Centers of Excellence for Psychological Health and Traumatic Brain Injury) and in the Defense Health Agency (DHA). Dr. Workman has also previously served as the Director of the McChord Behavioral Health Clinic, Joint Base Lewis McChord, where she was responsible for the daily operations of the clinic and direct patient care services. Prior to her work with the Department of Defense (DoD), Dr. Workman served as Associate Professor and Director of the Behavioral Medicine Department at Midwestern University.

Dr. Workman is board certified in clinical psychology and has expertise in community psychology with a focus on early intervention and prevention. She has more than 20 years of experience in providing administrative, management, applied research and consultation services within government agencies, health care industry and academic organizations.

Dr. Workman received her undergraduate degree from Loyola University, Chicago, and her doctoral degree from DePaul University, Chicago. She completed an internship at the Illinois Masonic Medical Center in Chicago, Illinois.

CHRIS BRIGHT is the Director of Public Training at The Trevor Project, the leading national organization serving LGBTQ+ youth in the areas of suicide prevention and crisis

intervention. Chris develops and oversees internal crisis services trainings as well as trainings and workshops throughout the country.