

Faculty Biographies

ATSH:PC Learning Session #1

Katie Bell | Chapa-De Indian Health



Katie Bell, MSN, RN-BC, CARN, PHN, is a nurse consultant with Telewell Indian Health MAT Project offering technical assistance, mentoring and training for California Tribal clinics as they develop Medication-Assisted Treatment programs. Katie has been a presenter for the UCLA Hub & Spoke Learning Collaborative and is part of the facilitator team for Tribal MAT Project Echo for Indian Health primary care clinics throughout California. She is also currently Nurse Case Manager for the Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) program at Chapa-De Indian Health in Grass Valley, CA. Board-certified as Addictions RN since 2003, Katie has been working with the medication buprenorphine/naloxone (Suboxone) since a 2001 Phase 3 NIDA clinical trial. Beginning in 2002, Katie has been developing and launching programs of care for patients with Opioid Use Disorders in multiple settings such as inpatient residential at Betty Ford Center, an urban methadone clinic, a Dept. of Veteran Affairs Behavioral Health Clinic and now, Primary Care FQHCs and IHS primary care clinics.

Gilmore Chung | Venice Family Clinic



Gilmore Chung, MD, received his medical degree from the University of Kentucky and completed his residency in Internal Medicine - Pediatrics at Los Angeles County - University of Southern California Medical Center. He stayed at LAC-USC as an attending, and then spent a year at the Dimock Center in Roxbury, MA, doing outpatient medicine. During that time, he began working in addiction medicine, as well as working in their inpatient detox facility. Gilmore has been at Venice Family Clinic since 2015, where he is the primary Medication Assisted Treatment physician, and serves as the site director for the Rose Avenue Clinic, which has a large population of patients that deal with homelessness, psychiatric illness, and substance use disorders. He works with Clare/Matrix as an expert facilitator in the Hub/Spoke system. Gilmore plans to sit the boards for the American Society of Addiction Medicine this fall. He also volunteers at Homeboy Industries, the UCLA chapter of Flying Samaritans, Physicians for Human Rights, and works for the LAPD jail dispensary clinics.



Vanessa de la Cruz | Santa Cruz County Health Services Agency

Vanessa de la Cruz, MD, is Chief of Psychiatry for Santa Cruz County Health Services Agency Behavioral Health. Prior to joining Santa Cruz County HSA, she was director of Addiction Treatment Services for the Palo Alto VA Health Care System. She became committed to working with medically underserved populations while working at Zaccheaus Free Clinic (now Bread for the City) in Washington, DC through Americorps. Vanessa further fostered this focus while at Tulane Medical School and during her psychiatry residency at UCSF and Public Psychiatry Fellowship at Columbia University. She is certified in Addiction Medicine through the American Board of Addiction Medicine. She is a Clinical Assistant Professor in the Department of Psychiatry at Stanford.



Jeff DeVido | Marin County Health & Human Services

Jeff DeVido, MD, MTS, FASAM, is board certified in adult psychiatry, addiction psychiatry, and addiction medicine. He is currently Chief, Addiction Services, Marin County Department of Health and Human Services, Behavioral Health and Recovery Services, and Behavioral Health Clinical Director with Partnership HealthPlan of California. Dr. DeVido is a member of the American Psychiatric Association's Council on Addictions, and he remains on teaching faculty at UCSF. The focus of Dr. DeVido's work is expansion and integration of substance use disorder treatment within established healthcare systems, especially as it relates to medications for addiction treatment.



Tammy Fisher | Co-Director, Addiction Treatment Starts Here

Tammy Fisher, MPH, is CCI's Senior Director, and is responsible for contributing to the organization's overall organizational strategy and operations, as well as directing programs to transform safety net organizations. Prior to joining CCI, Tammy was the senior director of quality and performance improvement at Partnership HealthPlan. She has an extensive background in using quality improvement methods to drive changes, having led quality improvement initiatives for the San Francisco Health Plan, Pacific Business Group on Health, and Brown & Toland Medical Group. As a technical advisor to the Integrated Healthcare Association's pay for performance program, Tammy advised on measures to improve cost efficiency and clinical care. Tammy received a bachelor's degree from the University of California, San Diego and has a master's degree in public health from New York University. She was trained by the Institute for Healthcare Improvement as an improvement advisor.

Bridget Hogan Cole | Institute for High Quality Care



Bridget Hogan Cole, MPH, is the Executive Director of Institute for High Quality Care (IHQC). As IHQC's Executive Director, Bridget is skilled in leveraging her expertise in capacity building, quality improvement, process improvement, data management, and the applied learning model to successfully guide participating organizations to improve outcomes and operational efficiencies. Bridget brings to IHQC a unique combination of education and experience in healthcare technology and public health administration. She has designed, implemented and led multiple safety net initiatives including the Building Clinic Capacity for Quality (BCCQ), the statewide Specialty Care Initiative (SCI), and eConsult programs with more than 20 years of program leadership, organizational development, project development, and technology planning and implementation experience. Bridget has held operations, consulting, and administrative positions with community health centers, Blue Cross of California, healthcare engineering firms, Kaiser Permanente Foundation Hospitals, national independent service agencies, and divisions of the Hospital Council of Southern California. Bridget also led Blue Cross of California's statewide Telemedicine Program – a collaborative of more than 60 rural provider locations and multiple specialty resources to improve access to care through the use of telemedicine. Bridget has received a Master's of Public Health with a concentration in Health Services Administration from UCLA and a Bachelor's of Science in Electrical Engineering from the University of Vermont.

Chris Hunt | Institute for High Quality Care



Chris Hunt, MPH, has been working with the IHQC home of the BCCQ Program, since 2009, coaching teams in scoping and implementing projects that improve quality, patient outcomes, and operational efficiencies. He is responsible for the development, coordination and delivery of quality improvement, health information technology and other program content, resources, and activities supporting safety net organizations. Chris also provides technical assistance and coaching around quality and process improvement, project development and management, and systems change. Chris holds a Master's in Public Health from University of California, Los Angeles with a concentration in health policy and management. He is also a certified Lean Six Sigma Black Belt and has previously worked in research and development in the biotechnology sector.



Brian Hurley | Clinical Director, Addiction Treatment Starts Here

Brian Hurley, MD, MBA, DFASAM, is an addiction psychiatrist and Director of Addiction Medicine at the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services. He is an Assistant Professor of Addiction Medicine in the Department of Family Medicine at the UCLA David Geffen School of Medicine. He is a Director at Large on the Board of Directors of the American Society of Addiction Medicine and co-chairs the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services' Substance Use Disorders Workgroup and the SafeMedLA Medications for Addiction Treatment Action Team. Brian provides technical assistance in the delivery of Medications for Addiction Treatment as well as smoking cessation services to community health centers, clinical programs, and agencies across the United States. Additionally, he is a member of the Motivational Interviewing Network of Trainers, and provides training in Motivational Interviewing across the United States. Brian completed the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Clinical Scholars Program at UCLA, and was previously a Veterans Administration National Quality Scholar at the VA Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System. He completed a fellowship program in addiction psychiatry at New York University School of Medicine. He completed residency training at the Massachusetts General Hospital and McLean Hospital (MGH-McLean), where he was Chief Resident in Addiction Psychiatry.



Mark McGovern | Stanford University

Dr. Mark McGovern is a psychologist, scholar, and leader in the field of addiction and implementation science, with an extensive portfolio of work on integrated treatments for persons with co-occurring substance use and psychiatric disorders. The primary focus of his scholarly inquiries has been the systematic translation of evidence-based therapies for co-occurring disorders into routine clinical settings and the advancement of organizational measures of integrated care in this clinical care. Prior to his arrival at Stanford in 2017, Dr. McGovern was an esteemed faculty member in the Geisel School of Medicine at Dartmouth College in the Department of Psychiatry, and the Department of Community and Family Medicine, where he held substantial clinical, educational, and administrative responsibilities. Presently, he leads national, State of California, and local efforts to combat the US opioid epidemic. His work is supported by NIDA, SAMHSA and the California Health Care Foundation. He is also actively collaborating with health systems, including Stanford Health Care and Intermountain Healthcare, on implementable and sustainable models of integrated behavioral health in primary care practice.

Sandy Newman | Co-Director Consultant, Addiction Treatment Starts Here



Sandy Newman, MPH, is the principal of LSN Health Strategy, a health care consulting firm partnering with clients working in clinical transformation, value-based payment, and health care policy. Prior to founding LSN Health Strategy, Sandy was a Senior Manager at Manatt Health, an integrated legal and consulting firm that provides business, strategy and professional services expertise to organizations across the health care ecosystem. Sandy focused her work on Medicaid delivery systems and value-based payment arrangements. Sandy also held previous positions as the Director of Health Policy at the California Academy of Family Physicians, a Policy Specialist at the National Center on Caregiving at Family Caregiving Alliance, and a Legislative Assistant to U.S. Senator Barbara A. Mikulski. Sandy holds a bachelor's degree in Women's Studies and a master's degree in public health, both from Tulane University.

Joe Sepulveda | Family Health Centers of San Diego



Joe Anthony Sepulveda, MD, is an adult psychiatrist double boarded by the American Board of Psychiatry & Neurology and the American Board of Preventive Medicine, certified in the subspecialty of Addiction Medicine and a Fellow of the American Psychiatric Association. He received his medical degree from the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA, and completed his residency in psychiatry from Stanford University Hospital & Clinics. He is an Assistant Medical Director at Family Health Centers of San Diego (FHCSD), the largest FQHC in San Diego. He founded the organization's MAT program overseeing the programs clinical planning, implementation, and ongoing development throughout the organizations 23 primary healthcare clinics, 7 behavioral health facilities, 14 different substance abuse treatment centers, and its mobile Clean Syringe Exchange Program. He volunteers as an Assistant Clinical Professor at the University of California at San Diego department of Psychiatry and is on the clinical teaching faculty for the FHCSD Family Medicine Residency Program. Dr. Sepulveda oversees the FHCSD Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner Program, and is the organization's consulting psychiatrist for geriatric depression via the University of Washington AIMS Center—Archstone Foundation Community Collaborative Care Partnership Geriatric Grant. Dr. Sepulveda is a member of the American Psychiatric Association, The San Diego Psychiatric Society, The American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM), and the California Society of Addiction Medicine.



Tobin Shelton | Venice Family Clinic

Tobin Shelton, LCSW, is a clinical social worker who worked in the criminal justice and school systems before moving to Los Angeles in 2013 when he joined the Venice Family Clinic and Common Ground. Tobin's work focuses on bringing the values of harm reduction into healthcare, substance use treatment and clinical supervision. He enjoys creating pottery and music in his time off and is pursuing an MPH and certification in Gestalt Therapy.



Candy Stockton | Humboldt Independent Practice Association

Candy Stockton-Joretteg, MD, is Board Certified in both Family Medicine and Addiction Medicine. She works for the Humboldt IPA, heading up the developing School Based Health Center Program and as the clinical champion for the county-wide Perinatal Substance Use Disorder Project. She has worked in primary care in rural Northern California for the last 15 years and sees every day how the disease of addiction affects her patients and their families. This has led to a passion for working with pregnant and parenting women with addictions as well as addressing the upstream causes of addiction in our communities. Dr. Stockton is active in community outreach, serving with various groups that address addiction and family issues. She has worked with law enforcement and treatment programs to increase access to Narcan in communities, and is an active speaker working to help educate community members about addiction and treatment for addiction. She serves as a consultant for the implementation of the Hub and Spoke project in Northern California. She also works with residents and NP/PA fellows to help future medical providers become more comfortable treating addiction.



Shelly Virva | Camden Coalition for Health Care Providers

Shelly Virva, LMSW CSW, is the Associate Clinical Director for Online Education at the Camden Coalition of Healthcare Providers. Prior to this she worked for Network180, a regional community mental health agency, in partnership with Spectrum Health Medical Group at the Center for Integrative Medicine. She earned her B.A. in political science and a MSW from Western Michigan University. She has extensive experience in the treatment of addiction and co-occurring disorders, pregnancy and addiction disorders, crisis intervention, integrated care, and treatment of complex care patients. She regularly provides in person training and consulting on the treatment of addiction and complex care patients. She was part of an interdisciplinary team tasked with integrating behavioral health into a multisite primary care group. She also has experience working with a large regional health plan in Michigan to incorporate MAT into their benefit structure, and has coauthored the Michigan MAT Program Guidelines.