

2017 Innovation Café: Presenter Bios

Plenary speakers

Ignatius Bau, J.D., is an independent consultant who provides technical assistance, training, policy analysis and meeting planning and facilitation to advance health equity. Ignatius has expertise and experience on the Affordable Care Act, health care reform, demographic data collection, language access, cultural competency, health workforce diversity, health information technology, quality improvement, health care disparities reduction and social determinants of health. He has experience with health and health care issues among Asian American, Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander populations; lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender populations; immigrant and refugee populations; and seniors.

Patty Cason, M.S., F.N.P., is a family nurse practitioner who has practiced for 34 years in a wide variety of clinical settings and is an assistant clinical professor and guest lecturer at the UCLA School of Nursing. She developed and is researching the “PATH” questions for patient-centered reproductive goals counseling. In her work as an educator and trainer she has published an array of nationally utilized manuals, instructional videos, protocols and online courses. Patty heads up the Sexual Agency Project, which is a qualitative sexual health research study.

Leslie Clement, M.P.A., has more than 30 years of professional experience working in health care organizations, including public health, managed care, long-term care, behavioral health and Medicaid. Leslie serves as the director of policy and leads efforts to extend Oregon's Medicaid eligibility under the Affordable Care Act. Prior to joining OHA, Leslie served as the Idaho State Medicaid director. Her educational background includes a bachelor's degree in sociology from the College of Wooster in Ohio and a master's degree in public administration from Portland State University.

Chris DeMars, M.P.H., is the administrator of the Oregon Health Authority Transformation Center. Before joining the Transformation Center in 2013, she spent eight years as a senior program officer at the Northwest Health Foundation. Prior to joining the foundation, Chris spent six year as a senior health policy analyst for the U.S. Government Accountability Office. She holds a Master of Public Health from the University of Michigan School of Public Health and a bachelor's degree in English Literature from the University of Michigan.

Café session presenters

Carla Ayers, L.C.S.W., is the manager of Lane County Behavioral Health and she is a licensed clinical social worker and licensed substance abuse treatment provider. Her specialties are in treating adults with co-occurring mental health substance abuse. Carla is also experienced and trained to work with children with attachment and trauma issues.

Diane Barr, R.N., is a registered nurse of 37 years and is currently director of case management at Cascade Health Alliance, which is the coordinated care organization of Klamath County. Diane manages 16 nurses and support staff who provide case management and utilization review services to 20,000 Medicaid and Medicare members who live in a large rural area with limited access to care. Signature programs include Behavioral Health Integration, High Risk Maternity Case Management, Non-Emergent Medical Transport

with Community Healthcare Workers and Gap Care. Diane has a passion for helping those most vulnerable in the Klamath community she calls home.

Ann-Marie Bandfield, M.S.W., is program supervisor for Marion County Health Department Acute and Forensic Behavioral Health Programs, which works with persons in crisis or revolving through the acute care or criminal justice systems, with a focus on community stabilization. In more than 20 years at the Psychiatric Crisis Center, she has been an integral part of creating and supervising programs to meet emerging community needs that are seen as models of care. Ann-Marie received a Master of Social Work from Portland State University and teaches in the PSU trauma certificate program.

Maureen Baldwin, M.D., M.P.H., is assistant professor at OHSU. She is an Ob/Gyn and family planning specialist. Her research background includes: educational development through simulation training, use of long-acting reversible contraceptives (LARC) to reduce rapid repeat pregnancy, and health system implementation of LARC access in maternity care, both locally and internationally. She has been a trainer for intrauterine device (IUD) and implant insertion and is a consultant for difficult removals and insertions. She believes every patient should be able to tell their friend that the IUD insertion was a good experience.

Helen Bellanca, M.D., is a family physician with experience in both clinical care and health care transformation strategies. She has a particular interest in the use of metrics and alternative payment methods to drive system change. Her areas of expertise are in reproductive health, maternity care, nutrition, healthy weight management and health care for low-income families. Helen currently serves as the associate medical director for Health Share of Oregon. Helen received her medical degree from Northwestern University Medical School and completed her residency at Oregon Health and Science University.

Maggie Bennington-Davis, M.D., M.M.M., a psychiatrist by training, is chief medical officer for Health Share of Oregon. Much of her professional career has focused on increasing understanding of the impact of trauma and adversity on peoples' lives, and improving health and social services' ability to engage people with trauma histories.

Paul Bollinger, M.P.H., has over 25 years' experience in the field emergency medical service and health system development at the local, national and international levels. He received his Master of Public Health with a focus in international health from Oregon State University in 2003. He is currently a senior project manager with Health Share of Oregon in Portland, Oregon, and is the point person for community paramedicine within his organization. Paul is also an affiliate instructor at Oregon Health and Science University.

Will Brake currently oversees seven alternative payment models for AllCare in three counties. His background is in medical group management, managed care contracting and physician quality. He is currently vice chair of the OHA Metrics and Scoring Committee.

Kerri Burke is a certified pharmacy technician in Oregon with over 28 years of experience in both the community pharmacy as well as the managed care arena. She has been the lead instructor for Cascade Health Alliance's signature smoking cessation program in Klamath Falls for over ten years, and has also presented her program to the Ways and Means Committee at the State Capitol in 2015. Kerri earned her smoking cessation facilitator certification from the American Lung Association in 2005.

Katharine Carvelli is a health plan analyst for Trillium Community Health Plan. She works with both Trillium Behavioral Health and the Lane County Public Health's Prevention Section to conduct program evaluations and analyses.

Sandra Clark is director of population health at FamilyCare. She supports an innovations-focused team implementing programs addressing determinants of health and equity for the Tri- County communities and FamilyCare members. She is passionate about analyzing and understanding health inequities and solving health issues through community-identified solutions and trauma-informed approaches.

Emily Elman, M.P.H., has worked in the field of reproductive and sexual health for nearly 20 years. She has been with the Reproductive Health Program within the Public Health Division for 10 years, focusing on both policy and programmatic issues related to publicly funded family planning services. She received her Master of Public Health from the University of California, Los Angeles.

Emily Fanjoy is the Safer Futures project coordinator at the Tillamook County Women's Resource Center where she coordinates the community-based advocate and health care partnerships. Through the Office on Adolescent Health Pregnancy Assistance Fund, the project funds community-based advocates in health care settings to reach pregnant and newly parenting women who are experiencing intimate partner violence. Her previous work includes domestic and sexual violence survivor advocacy as well as case management and interpreting in a community health clinic. She is a returned Peace Corps volunteer and worked in community health in Guatemala from 2008 to 2010.

Joseph Gardiner, M.S.W., L.C.S.W., earned his Master of Social Work from Portland State University and has practiced social work in community mental health, primary care and intensive case management settings. Joe has been engaged in various social service settings over the past 10 years, working with folks who are experiencing significant psycho/social needs, trauma experience and folks in need of intensive engagement with their medical providers. With this experience, Joe is passionate about working with, and providing appropriate treatment to, people who struggle with partaking in everyday living skills, accessing community resources and handling symptoms related to mental illness.

Nancy Goff is a health systems policy specialist in the OHA Public Health Division. In this role, she works to build partnerships between public health and health care systems to promote prevention and management of the leading causes of chronic disease – tobacco, physical inactivity, poor nutrition and substance use.

Alison Goldstein, L.C.S.W., is the lead for the Tri-County 911 Service Coordination Program (TC911). Under her leadership, TC911 has successfully served 650 unique Washington, Clackamas and Multnomah County residents having frequent contact with ambulance and fire first responders. Alison is a licensed clinical social worker with over 20 years' experience providing and supervising case management and behavioral health services directed to people living with chronic health conditions, substance dependence, and those involved in the criminal justice system.

Tashia Harris, M.A., is currently the racial justice program director of Western States Center. They have worked in community engagement as well as academia with women and gender studies in a faculty, programmatic and resource center management capacity. Tashia holds a B.S. in Interpersonal and Public Communications, an M.A. in Urban Affairs focusing on multiple marginalized populations and biopolitics, and is currently pursuing an Ed.D. in Education concentrating on higher education beyond the formal rubric of systemic institutions.

Ken House, M.S., chairs the Metrics and Scoring Committee, which is responsible for identifying incentivized outcome and quality measures for Oregon's CCOs. He is also the value improvement director for Mosaic Medical, overseeing Mosaic's quality and data analytics programs. Ken previously directed quality and performance measurement teams at Providence Health Services and St. Charles Health System. He is deeply involved in state-level work around alternative payment methods, data, analytics and quality, and is a past recipient of the Community Health Center Value Award from the Oregon Primary Care Association. Ken holds an M.S. in Human Development and Family Studies from the University of North Carolina.

Christy Inskip is a senior community health analyst at Lane County Public Health. She serves as the tobacco prevention and education program coordinator, engaging local communities to create policies, systems and environmental changes that prevent youth from initiating tobacco, eliminate health disparities, protect people from secondhand smoke exposure, and help people quit tobacco.

Anna Jimenez, M.D., is a medical director at FamilyCare. She is honored to be working around the gifted talent of colleagues at FamilyCare where the focus is not only on the individual, but the community that surrounds them, to make all lives healthier.

Jen Johnstun is the health strategy officer for PrimaryHealth CCO, and has been with the CCO since before its inception. Jen is a registered nurse who has worked in various clinical settings prior to joining her current organization.

Sarah Keefe, M.P.H., is the health systems coordinator at the Oregon Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence. Her prior work includes Planned Parenthood Columbia Willamette, National Indian Child Welfare Association and Domestic Violence Resource Center. Sarah is a long-term volunteer and past board of directors member for TransActive Gender Center, an organization dedicated to transgender and gender non-conforming children. Sarah is the 2016 recipient of The Billi Odegaard Public Health Emerging Leader Genius Award, presented by the Oregon Public Health Institute.

Susan Kirchoff is a consultant with the Oregon Health Leadership Council and is leading the Emergency Department Information Exchange (EDIE)/PreManage statewide initiative. Susan has previously served in leadership roles in a CCO, primary care and emergency services. She is passionate about providing high quality, coordinated care for high-risk, vulnerable individuals.

Sara Kleinschmit, M.Sc., is a policy advisor with OHA's Office of Health Analytics, and has recently shifted her focus from OHA's hospital incentive measure program to coordinating the work related to CCO incentive measures. Sara was previously the deputy director of research for the New York City's Medicaid, TANF and SNAP programs. She holds an M.Sc. in Sociology from the London School of Economics and Political Science.

Jenny Kowalczyk, W.H.N.P., is a women's health nurse practitioner providing family planning, women's health and sexually transmitted infection services at Josephine County Public Health in Grants Pass, Oregon. She is employed by AllCare Health. Jenny graduated as a registered nurse from Gateway Community College and went straight into women's health. She earned her B.S. in Nursing from New Mexico State University and graduated from Frontier Nursing University with a master's degree in nursing and women's health nurse practitioner focus. Jenny has a passion for women's health, particularly focusing on prevention of unwanted pregnancy through easy access to contraception.

Heather Kuntz moved to the Northwest in 2015 from Western Montana. She has a passion for nursing, which started from a young age, and has worked as a nurse in a wide variety of venues. Some of the most prominent include: med/surgery, mental health, MICU, mother/baby, public health, addiction and rehabilitation, emergency department, and nursing education. Heather also has a vast knowledge and understanding of care across the continuum including cultural integration, tolerance training, trauma-informed care, patient-centered care, and the promotion of cultural care.

David Labby, M.D., Ph.D., is the former chief medical officer for Health Share of Oregon. An internist by training, David also completed a Ph.D. in cultural anthropology which informs his approach to medicine and health systems. While working as a primary care clinician, he “found that engaging with complex patients around all of the other factors in their lives that drive medical outcomes was actually more satisfying than a focus solely on diagnosis and treatment.” Later in his career, he focused on populations and communities as the means to improving health.

LeeChe Leong staffs a regional collaboration to improve health care quality and the experience of care while lowering per capita costs. She has seventeen years of experience as an administrator with nonprofits at the local, state and national levels. Prior to moving west, LeeChe served as director of the Teen Health Initiative for the New York Civil Liberties Union, where she trained health care professionals who work with youth about minors’ rights to receive confidential reproductive health care.

Jackie Litzau works at the Public Health Foundation of Columbia County where she oversees the Sustainable Relationships for Community Health grant and the school-based health centers. Jackie has managed a diverse portfolio of projects including geographic information systems, community capacity-building, public health education, and clinical workflows. She believes in the value of continuous quality improvement and has led teams through successful systems change. She received her B.A. in Geography at the University of Washington with an emphasis on health, development and globalization.

Stephanie Machado, M.P.H., is an instructor and research coordinator in the Population Health Management program at Oregon Institute of Technology. Stephanie also co-teaches the OHSU Campus for Rural Health–Klamath Interprofessional Experience course. She holds a Master of Public Health with a concentration in health behavior and health promotion from the University of Arizona.

George Matland is the president for Signs of Victory homeless shelter. George serves on the City of Albany Homeless Enrichment and Rehabilitation Team, Linn Local Advisory Council and IHN-CCO Community Advisory Council.

Melissa Miller, M.S., completed her Master of Science in statistics at Portland State University. She is a senior health data analyst at FamilyCare Health.

Sandra Meucci, Ph.D., holds a B.A. in Psychology and both master’s and doctorate degrees in sociology. Her work beginning in her post-doctoral period has been focused on public health. From 2006 to 2015 Sandra was the principal evaluator for the African American Health Coalition’s Racial and Ethnic Approach to Community Health project. Reporting directly to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, she evaluated primary prevention programs to reduce cardiovascular health disparities experienced by African Americans in Multnomah County. Since 2004 Sandra has been the principal program evaluator for Marin County’s Tobacco-Related Disease Prevention Program. Since 2015, as Multnomah County’s Tobacco Policy Specialist, she has been assessing the community and clinical linkages within the county to provide culturally resonant tobacco screening and cessation counseling.

Shelly Morton, M.A., has a master's degree in organizational leadership and over 10 years of case management experience. She is currently the behavioral health care coordinator for Cascade Health Alliance in Klamath Falls. Shelly stays connected with her community by serving on the leadership boards of Coalition for Safe Learning Environments and Start Making a Reader Today. She and her husband are raising four very active boys.

Kathleen Nickel serves as a senior manager and the director of communications at CHI Mercy Health. An accomplished communicator, Kathleen has 23 years of health care writing, marketing and communications experience. She is skilled in developing service-line marketing strategies that include both traditional and digital media; and has expertise in video and commercial development. A member of Mercy's Community Benefit team, Kathleen is also active in the community, and currently serves on the board of Umpqua Community College Foundation and Mercy Foundation as well as several civic organizations. Kathleen received a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Oregon State University.

Hayley Nunn, M.B.A., has worked at Planned Parenthood of the Columbia/Willamette for 13 years as a health center manager and operations director. As the director of strategic initiatives, Hayley leads the design, introduction and implementation of systems and processes to strengthen the delivery of health care and improve patient experience. She is a native Oregonian, and holds a Master of Business Administration from Willamette University.

Maegan Pelatt is the maternal child health (MCH) program manager at FamilyCare. She approaches MCH programs through a life-course perspective. Maegan believes that by making improvements in the health of our members, we have the opportunity to influence the health of the next generation even before they are conceived.

Mackenzie Petersen, M.S.W., is the population health program manager for chronic conditions at FamilyCare Health. An employee of FamilyCare since 2014, Mackenzie has worked on a variety of projects that focus on population health initiatives and care coordination. Previous to FamilyCare Mackenzie worked in homeless services for four years, served as a Peace Corps volunteer in Uganda and worked at several community nonprofits in the Willamette Valley with a specific focus on health, education and equity. Mackenzie has a Master of Social Work from Portland State and will complete her Master of Public Health in summer 2017.

Rachel Petersen is the tobacco prevention and education program coordinator for Linn County Public Health. Rachel is a member of Linn Together, a county-based coalition working to reduce substance abuse, and the Linn Benton Health Equity Alliance. In her free time, she serves as a board member for the Center Against Rape and Domestic Violence, the domestic and sexual violence program serving Linn and Benton counties.

David Price, Ph.D., is a mission executive at CHI Mercy Health in Roseburg, Oregon, and contributes to the market-based organization's community health needs assessment ministry and implementation strategy.

Robert Reynolds, M.P.H., earned his Master of Public Health in epidemiology from the University of Arizona, and his Ph.D. in epidemiology and biostatistics from the University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston. He is the director of healthcare analytics and business intelligence at FamilyCare Health.

Melissa Rockefeller, M.D., is a wife, mother and physician. As an emergency doctor, she is committed to the mission of providing cohesive, effective, evidence-based, compassionate care to the most fragile

patients and their care providers. Seeing the positive impact of a holistic approach to care is one of the most rewarding parts of her career at this point.

Hannah Rosenau is the program director for NARAL Pro-Choice Oregon and the Oregon Foundation for Reproductive Health (OFRH). Hannah has worked in the nonprofit sector for women's health and reproductive rights advocacy for over 10 years, including as a residential counselor for pregnant and parenting teens at a Planned Parenthood clinic, and currently as a board member and hotline advocate with the Network for Reproductive Options. She now works with NARAL and OFRH on the One Key Question® campaign, contraception access programs and reproductive health policy in health care reform.

Kathy Savicki, L.C.S.W., has led quality improvement and clinical innovations with Mid-Valley Behavioral Care Network (MVBCN) since 1997, and participated in many Oregon Health Plan advisory committees. She has led trauma-informed care initiatives and training for the MVBCN and other community partner organizations.

Belle Shepherd, M.P.H., has been an innovator agent with the Oregon Health Authority for almost four years, and she spent the 20 years prior working in public health in and around Southern Oregon.

Amin Surani, R.Ph., has been a pharmacist for over 23 years, and is licensed to practice in four states. He has significant experience working in rural clinics, specialized mental health, and retail pharmacy. He is a former smoker and strong advocate of all programs supporting smoking cessation.

Emily Tapper is the clinical health navigator for Community Health Centers of Linn and Benton Counties. Emily is contracted with Samaritan Health Services at Geary Street Family Medicine and also placed in the community at Signs of Victory Homeless Shelter and Wellness Center as well as Emergence Drug and Alcohol Treatment and Counseling.

Ellen Thornton-Love, L.C.S.W., is currently the supervisor for Lane County Behavioral Health Child and Adolescent Program. She is a licensed clinical social worker and has an extensive background in providing intensive mental health services for children and adolescents. Ellen's specialties are treating complicated trauma and grief, working with adult survivors of trauma, and treating severe and chronic mental illness.

Jennifer Webster is a senior community health analyst in Lane County Public Health's Prevention Section. Her work is focused on developing and implementing prevention strategies for Lane County's Coordinated Care Organization, Trillium Community Health Plan.

Kris Williams worked in retail management for 20 years. In 1992 she joined the Crook County Health Department as a health educator and developed the county Tobacco Prevention and Education Program in 1997. Coordinating a tobacco prevention coalition, writing grants and developing tobacco policy have been her main areas of focus for the past 25 years. Kris also helped develop a local Child Abuse Prevention Team, which she currently chairs.

Miao Zhao is the clinic manager for Albany InReach Services. Miao serves on the City of Albany Homeless Enrichment and Rehabilitation Team, Linn Public Health Advisory Council and Traditional Health Workers work group, and co-chairs the InterCommunity Health Network CCO Health Equity Work Group.