

# **Beyond Parity: Mental Health and Addiction Care Under Payment and Delivery System Reform**

## **Speaker Biographies**

**Colleen L. Barry, Ph.D., M.P.P.**

**Associate Professor, Department of Health Policy and Management  
Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health**

Colleen Barry is an Associate Professor in the Department of Health Policy and Management at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health (JHSPH). She has a joint appointment in the Department of Mental Health at the JHSPH. In addition, she is an Adjunct Senior Fellow at the Leonard Davis Institute of Health Economics at the University of Pennsylvania. Professor Barry's research focuses on policy issues affecting care for individuals with mental illness and substance use disorders. One primary area of interest has been to establish evidence on the costs and benefits of mental health and substance use disorder parity policies. In addition, she is currently the principal investigator on a NIDA R01 to evaluate the effects of regulations aimed at increasing use of new treatments for substance use disorders. In other work, she has examined how the Food and Drug Administration's (FDA) regulatory policy on antidepressant and ADHD use has affected treatment patterns. She has also studied public and private sector initiatives to realign financial and organizational arrangements to improve integration of depression care within the primary care sector. More recently, she has been involved with a number of studies to examine the implications of various aspects of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) on treatment for mental illness and addiction. In particular, she is studying the implication of risk adjustment in state health insurance exchanges for individuals with mental health conditions. She is also examining how Medicaid expansions under the ACA will affect care for individuals with substance use disorders.

In other work, Dr. Barry is the principal investigator on a Robert Wood Johnson Foundation grant to study how news media messages used to frame the issue of childhood obesity affect public attitudes about obesity prevention policies, and principal investigator on another Robert Wood Johnson Foundation grant using empirical methods to test public support for sugar-sweetened beverage taxes. She is a member of various advisory boards including the National Integration Council, AHRQ's National Academy for Integrating Mental Health and Primary Care. Professor Barry received a Ph.D. in Health Policy from Harvard University in 2004 and a masters degree in public policy from the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard in 1999.

**Richard G. Frank, Ph.D.**

**Margaret T. Morris Professor of Health Economics, Department of Health Care Policy  
Harvard Medical School**

Richard G. Frank is the Margaret T. Morris Professor of Health Economics in the Department of Health Care Policy at Harvard Medical School. From 2009 to 2011 he served as the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation at DHHS directing the office of Disability, Aging and Long-Term Care Policy. His research is focused on the economics of mental health and substance abuse care, long term care financing policy, and disability policy. Frank is also a Research Associate with the National Bureau of Economic Research. He also serves as an Editor for the Journal of Health Economics. Dr. Frank was awarded the Georgescu-Roegen prize from the Southern Economic Association, the Carl A. Taube Award from the American Public Health Association, and the Emily Mumford Medal from Columbia University's

Department of Psychiatry. In 2011 he received the Distinguished Service Award from the Mental Health Association of Maryland. Dr. Frank received the John Eisberg Mentorship Award from National Research Service Awards. He was elected to the Institute of Medicine in 1997. He is co-author with Sherry Glied of the book "Better but Not Well" (Johns Hopkins Press)

**Mara Huberlie, M.A.**

**Director of Project Implementation  
Greater Nashua Mental Health Center**

As Director of Project Implementation for the SAMHSA funded Healthy Connections program, Mara Huberlie brings over 30 years of experience in project management and development, strategic planning, communications, grant writing and marketing. She has extensive experience in the non-profit arena, with major areas of focus in mental health, addiction services and homelessness. Mara was a driving force in helping to develop the proposal that resulted in the awarding of the SAMHSA grant and has been instrumental in its implementation throughout the agency. She looks forward to the program continuing after the conclusion of the grant period. Her next project will be assisting in the redesign of the agency's senior adult program. Mara holds a B.A. in journalism and a Master's degree from the Newhouse School at Syracuse University.

**Benjamin F. Miller, Psy.D.**

**Assistant Professor, Department of Family Medicine  
University of Colorado School of Medicine**

Dr. Miller received his doctorate degree in clinical psychology from Spalding University in Louisville, Kentucky. He completed his predoctoral internship at the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center, where he trained in primary care psychology. In addition, Miller worked as a postdoctoral fellow in primary care psychology at the University of Massachusetts Medical School in the Department of Family Medicine and Community Health. Currently, Dr. Miller is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Family Medicine at the University of Colorado Denver School of Medicine where he is responsible for integrating mental health across all three of the Department's core mission areas: clinical, education, and research.

Dr. Miller is a co-principal investigator and co-creator of the National Research Network's Collaborative Care Research Network. He has been the principal investigator on several federal grants examining mental health integration into primary care, and has received funding from AHRQ, SAMHSA, HRSA and private foundations. He has written and published on enhancing the evidentiary support for collaborative care models, increasing the training and education of mental health providers in primary care and the need to address specific healthcare policy for integration. Dr. Miller often travels speaking on clinical, operational and financial components of integrating mental health and primary care as well as the policy implications for these strategies. He is the section editor for Health and Policy for Families, Systems and Health and reviews for several academic journals.

Professionally, Dr. Miller is actively involved in the governance of the Collaborative Family Healthcare Association (CFHA) where he is currently the CFHA president for 2011- 2012. In Colorado, Dr. Miller is on the board of the Colorado Psychological Association as the Federal Advocacy Coordinator. He has been active within the American Psychological Association for Graduate Students (APAGS) where he held the elected position of Member at Large – Practice Focus from 2006-2008. During his tenure in APAGS, he

focused on assessing the needs of practice-focused students while attempting to raise students' awareness of the role of psychology within the larger health care system.

Dr. Miller's research interests include models of collaborative care, health behavior interventions, primary care practice redesign, using practice-based research networks to advance whole person healthcare, and healthcare policy. Outside of healthcare, Dr. Miller enjoys playing music, rock climbing, and running. He and his family live in Denver, Colorado.

**Tim Swinfard, M.S.**  
**President and CEO**  
**Missouri Coalition of Community Mental Health Centers**

Tim Swinfard, who became the chief executive officer of Missouri Coalition of Community Mental Health Centers (Coalition) on September 1, 2005, brought a wealth of experience in management and mental health care to the position. The Coalition has led efforts in Missouri to integrate primary care with behavioral healthcare and to implement disease management services for those with co-morbid chronic conditions.

From 1999 to 2005, he was vice president of operations at Burrell Behavioral Health in Springfield. Burrell is a large, comprehensive community mental health center which serves 14,000 consumers each year. Swinfard began his career at Burrell in 1991 as a community support worker and quickly progressed to positions of increasing responsibility: community support supervisor, assistant director of Transitions community-based psychiatric rehabilitation center, and deputy director of operations.

Swinfard earned a bachelor of science in psychology from the Missouri University of Science and Technology and a master of science in counseling from Missouri State University. He is a licensed professional counselor. He is the chair of the Community Advisory Committee for the Missouri Foundation for Health. He was recently elected to a two-year term as vice chair of the Public Policy Committee of the National Council for Community Behavioral Healthcare.

**Honorable Steven M. Walsh**  
**Chair, Joint Committee on Health Care Financing**  
**Massachusetts House of Representatives**

Steven Walsh was elected to the Massachusetts House of Representatives in November of 2002 and represents the 11th Essex District. He was recently appointed to and is currently serving as Chairman of the House Committee on Health Care Financing. He has served as the Vice Chair of the Public Health Committee, the Vice Chair of the Committee on Capital Assets, Bonding and Long Term Debt, Chairman of the Committee on Community Development & Small Business and the Chairman of the Committee on State Administration & Regulatory Oversight.

Steve has had significant interest in the prevention of Oxycontin and Prescription Drug Abuse among young people, and founded and served on the Oxycontin and Other Drug Abuse Commission of 2005. He is an advocate for the growth of industry in the green jobs and Biotechnology sectors and has been working tirelessly to bring these emerging technologies to the City of Lynn and Boston's North Shore. He has also been an advocate for small businesses, and for accessible and affordable health care coverage for working families.

Outside of his legislative work, Steve is the Chairman of the Board of Directors for Lynn Arts, Inc., a non-profit arts and cultural organization in the city of Lynn. He is also an adjunct faculty member of North Shore Community College's Public Policy Institute and is a practicing attorney in Lynn.

He is a native of Lynn and is a graduate of St. John's Preparatory School, Wesleyan University, and New England School of Law in Boston. He currently resides in Lynn with his wife, Annie, and their children Coleman, Maeve and Myles.

**Barbara A. Leadholm, M.S., M.B.A.**  
**Commissioner**  
**Massachusetts Department of Mental Health**

Barbara A. Leadholm was named Commissioner of the Massachusetts Department of Mental Health (DMH) in September 2007. Commissioner Leadholm has an extensive background in the behavioral health field including six years at the Department of Mental Health in the 1990s as well as service in the departments of Medicaid and Welfare for the Commonwealth.

Commissioner Leadholm began her career in Massachusetts as a psychiatric nurse clinician at Brookside Health Center in Jamaica Plain. Before coming to the Department, she worked for Magellan Health Services for 10 years as vice president of health plan solutions with broad expertise in developing and implementing public sector behavioral health plans and services.

Under Commissioner Leadholm's leadership, DMH is focused on consumer voice and choice and her commitment to assuring mental health is seen as an integral part of a holistic and integrated approach to health care. She often discusses that treatment works and the critical importance of encouraging people to seek help.

Commissioner Leadholm's vision for the Department of Mental Health is one of transformation. "Recovery Through Partnership" is the guiding principle that supports Community First for adults, children, adolescents and families with serious mental illness and serious emotional disturbance. Through her work, she is a champion of people's right to live as independently as possible in the community, and the Department's responsibility to support their recovery and success.

Commissioner Leadholm earned her Master of Science degree in psychiatric nursing from Boston College and Master of Business Administration from Boston University.

**Michael Botticelli**  
**Director, Bureau of Substance Abuse Services**  
**Massachusetts Department of Public Health**

Michael Botticelli has been the Director for Substance Abuse Services at the Massachusetts Department of Public Health since August 2003. Since he has been in this position, the Bureau's budget has increased by over \$70 million in base and supplemental funding and has brought in over \$21 million in new federal funding. With these funds, the Bureau has dramatically expanded prevention, intervention, treatment and recovery support services in the Commonwealth and developed nationally recognized models for care integration.

Michael has been at MDPH for over 18 years serving in substance use services, the AIDS Bureau and Chief of Staff. Michael is also on the Board of the National Association of State Alcohol and Drug Abuse Directors and a member of SAMHSA's Center Substance Abuse Prevention National Advisory Council. Prior to his work at DPH, Michael worked for private substance abuse treatment facilities. Michael received his undergraduate degree from Siena College in Albany NY and a Masters in Education from St. Lawrence University.

**Daniel B. Fisher, M.D., Ph.D.**  
**Executive Director**  
**National Empowerment Center**

Dan is a person who has recovered from schizophrenia. He was hospitalized several times prior to becoming a psychiatrist. He is one of the few psychiatrists in the country who publicly discusses his recovery from mental illness. He is a role model for others who are struggling to recover, and his life dispels the myth that people do not recover from mental illness. His recovery and work in the field were recognized by his selection as a member of the White House Commission on Mental Health.

Dan received his A.B. from Princeton University, his Ph.D. in biochemistry from the University of Wisconsin and his M.D. from George Washington University. He is a board-certified psychiatrist who completed his residency at Harvard Medical School. He is presently Executive Director of the National Empowerment Center and a practicing psychiatrist at Riverside Outpatient Clinic, Wakefield, MA.

Dan travels to all parts of the country to conduct workshops, give keynote addresses, teach classes, and organize conferences for consumers/survivors, families, and mental health providers to promote recovery of people labeled with mental illness by incorporating the principles of empowerment. He has been featured on many radio and television programs, including CNN Special Report. In addition he is a researcher having carried out research into neurotransmitters at the National Institute of Mental Health and on the ways that people recover. Along with Laurie Ahern, he developed the Empowerment Model of Recovery and the PACE/Recovery program to shift the system to a recovery orientation. He was recognized for this work by being selected for both the Clifford Beers National Mental Health Association Award and the Bazelon Center for Mental Health Law's Advocacy Award.

Dan has written chapters in many books, as well as a number of articles in professional journals such as Hospital and Community Psychiatry and the Psychosocial Rehabilitation Journal. He has produced a video and booklet about important aspects of recovery, "Recovery is for Everyone" as well as a video on "Consumers Working as Providers."

**Colleen LaBelle, R.N.**  
**Program Director and Faculty**  
**Boston University School of Medicine**

Colleen LaBelle, certifications in addiction nursing and HIV with over 20 years of clinical experience in HIV and addiction, and co-authored a publication in the Journal of General Internal Medicine, "Treating Homeless Opioid Dependent Patients with Buprenorphine in an Office-based Setting." She was instrumental in the start up of the OBOT Program in the BMC Primary Care Clinic, which manages over 450 active patients with buprenorphine. This program provides buprenorphine treatment for patients in primary care, homeless, HIV, Family Medicine, OB, and support to the affiliated community health centers. She is the program director of the STATE OBOT B (State Technical Assistance, Treatment

Expansion of Buprenorphine) working with 14 community health centers implementing a nurse care manager model for the expansion of buprenorphine. Since 2003, Ms. LaBelle has served as Faculty for the buprenorphine certification course of the American Society of Addiction Medicine. She frequently gives presentations on buprenorphine and provides consultation and technical assistance on- and off-site and by telephone. She oversees the MDPH buprenorphine list-serve and provides liaison for MDPH-supported buprenorphine training, education and start-up in Massachusetts. She speaks on a local and national level, and has been a part of the SAMHSA Summit on Buprenorphine. Ms. LaBelle has served as a member of the Scientific Study (Study Section) Review Committee for the National Institute on Drug Abuse. Since 2004, she has served on the National Advisory Committee on Buprenorphine for the Health Resources and Services Administration and participated in professional editing of TAP 30 Technical Assistance Publication for Nurses with SAMHSA, 2009. Co-author : Five Year Experience with Collaborative Care of Opioid Addicted Patients using Buprenorphine in Primary Care, published Archives of Internal Medicine. In May 2011 she was the recipient of Individual Leadership Award, for Innovation In Health Care from MA Bureau of Substance Abuse Services as well as a NIATX award recipient 2011 Innovations in Behavioral Health Services award for Process Improvements. She is a board member of the Addiction Nurses Certification Board, and recently started a MA Chapter for addiction nurses.

**Paul Mendis, M.D.**  
**Chief Medical Officer**  
**Neighborhood Health Plan**

Paul Mendis has served as Chief Medical Officer for Neighborhood Health Plan since 2002. NHP is an HMO insuring 240,000 Medicaid, commercial and Commonwealth Care members in Massachusetts. Dr. Mendis is responsible for NHP's care management, disease management, utilization management, behavioral health, pharmacy and special populations programs.

Prior to joining NHP in 1999, Dr. Mendis served as the Medical Director for First Seniority, Harvard Pilgrim Health Care's Medicare + Choice program, serving elderly and disabled patients in Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and New Hampshire. For a 12-year period ending in 1996, he was a local and regional medical director in the multi-specialty group practice now known as Harvard Vanguard Medical Associates. Early in his career he practiced primary care and served as Chief of Internal Medicine at the Dimock Community Health Center in Roxbury.

Dr. Mendis also serves on numerous Boards of Directors, including the Massachusetts Health Council, the Massachusetts Medicaid Policy Institute, the Massachusetts Association of Health Plans, and the Dimock Community Health Center. Since 2004 he has represented the Mass League of Community Health Centers on the Joint Legislative Commission to Eliminate Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Health Care, now known as the Health Disparities Council.

A graduate of Princeton University and Harvard Medical School, Dr. Mendis is board certified in internal medicine and practiced primary care for 23 years in an urban health center environment.