



## **Second Annual Mental Health Task Force**

*How can state legislators advance innovation and excellence in mental health care?*

**Gaylord National Resort and Convention Center  
Room: National Harbor #13  
National Harbor, Maryland  
May 6 - 7, 2009**

### ***AGENDA***

***Wednesday, May 6, 2009***

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12:00 - 1:00pm      **WELCOME LUNCH**

12:05pm – 12:15pm      **WELCOMING REMARKS**

Mary Brooks Beatty  
President  
Women In Government

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1:10 - 2:00pm      **MENTAL HEALTH PARITY: FEDERAL AND STATE LEGISLATION**  
*Facilitated by: Mary Brooks Beatty*

**Alexa Eggleston**  
Director of Public Policy  
The National Council for Community Behavioral Healthcare

**Angela Kimball**  
Director of State Policy  
National Alliance for Mental Illness

Q & A - 10 minutes

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2:00 pm – 2:30 pm     **SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES  
ADMINISTRATION (SAMHSA)**  
*Facilitated by: Representative Kimberley Rosen  
Maine State Legislature  
Secretary, Women In Government Board of Directors*

**A. Kathryn Power, MEd**  
Director, Center for Mental Health Services  
SAMHSA

Q & A – 10 minutes

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2:30 pm – 3:15 pm     **THE MENTAL HEALTH TRANSFORMATION IN MINNESOTA:  
INTEGRATING PUBLICLY-FINANCED BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CARE**  
*Facilitated by: Delegate Joseline Peña-Melnyk  
Maryland State Legislature  
Eastern Regional Director, Women In Government Board of  
Directors*

**Glenace Edwall, PhD, PsyD, LP, MPP**  
Director, Children's Mental Health Division  
Minnesota Department of Human Services

This presentation will describe public-private partnerships which resulted in substantial transformation of the mental health service delivery system in Minnesota over the past decade. Reforms have included introduction of uniform mental health benefits across Minnesota Health Care Programs; infrastructure investments to improve access to community-based services; and a focus on integrated health care.

Q & A – 10 minutes

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3:15 pm – 3:20 pm     **WRAP UP**  
**Mary Brooks Beatty**

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6:00pm     **RECEPTION**

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6:30pm     **DINNER**

6:40pm – 6:50pm     **WELCOMING REMARKS**  
**Delegate Joseline Peña-Melnyk**

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***Thursday, May 7, 2009***

8:00 am - 9:00 am     **BREAKFAST**

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9:00 am - 9:45 am     **PANEL PRESENTATION- PROGRAMS FROM THE REGIONS**  
*Facilitated by: Mary Brooks Beatty*

**Peggy Johnson, MD**  
Vice Chair of Clinical Psychiatry  
Boston Medical Center

This presentation will address Peer Navigation as a novel approach to reduce health disparities in individuals with serious and persistent mental illness.

**Steven Levine, MD**  
Capital Health – Henry J. Austin Community Health Center.

The delivery of psychiatric care is often a scarce resource for certain populations in the community. This presentation will discuss what the effects might be of shifting this responsibility to the emergency and primary care settings and provide an example of efforts to increase the comfort and familiarity of the primary care doctors in their delivery of mental health care.

Q & A – 10 minutes

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9:45 am - 10:30 am     **CLINICAL PERSPECTIVE ON CONTINUUM OF CARE IN CO-  
OCCURRING ADDICTION AND SEVERE MENTAL ILLNESS**  
*Facilitated by: Representative Kim Rosen*

**Oleg Tarkovsky, MA, LCPC**  
Clinic Director  
Mosaic Community Services, Inc.

This presentation will discuss current definitions of co-occurring disorders as well as look at the screening, and assessment process for both substance abuse and mental illness. We will also examine The Comprehensive, Continuous, Integrated System of Care (CCISC) model for organizing services for individuals with co-occurring psychiatric and substance disorders.

Q & A – 10 minutes

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10:30 - 10:45am     **BREAK**

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10:45 am – 12:00 pm **STATE INNOVATORS IN MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAMS**  
*Facilitated by: Joseline Peña-Melnyk*

**“Virginia's Assertive Community Treatment Program”**

**Michael Shank**

Director, Community Support Services  
Virginia Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse Services

This presentation will describe Virginia's Assertive Community Treatment program (PACT), their data collection process for measuring outcomes in hospital utilization, housing, criminal justice involvement, and employment.

**“Re-Entry Partnerships in Oklahoma”**

**Laura Pitman, PhD**

Deputy Director of Female Offender Operations  
Oklahoma Department of Corrections

Successful re-entry requires partnerships among multiple stakeholders. Ongoing initiatives involving multiple stakeholders and utilizing Integrated Services Discharge Managers & Reentry Intensive Care Coordination Teams, Transition Coordinators and Correctional Case Managers will be discussed.

**“Housing First”**

**Josh Greene, LICSW**

Clinical Director  
Pathways to Housing DC

This presentation will provide an introduction to *Housing First* as an evidence-based, therapeutic intervention that focuses on ending homelessness for chronically homeless, and seriously persistently mentally ill persons before requiring treatment, or sobriety.

Q & A – 15 minutes

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12:00 pm - 1:00 pm **LUNCH**

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1:00 pm - 1:10pm **REVIEW OF TASK FORCE DISCUSSION GROUP OBJECTIVES**

**Mary Brooks Beatty**

1. Review Existing Task Force Policy Recommendations
  2. New Task Force Recommendations (See Task Force Discussion Worksheet)
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1:10 - 2:30pm **ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSIONS**

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2:30 - 3:30pm

**REVIEW OF ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION OUTCOMES & CONSENSUS  
ON RECOMMENDATIONS**

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3:30 - 3:45pm

**WRAP UP**

**Mary Brooks Beatty**

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