



Women's Health Conference

May 16 – 18, 2016

Double Tree • Breckenridge, CO



COLORADO
Department of Public
Health & Environment

Welcome to the 7th annual Women's Health Conference!

The WWC, WISEWOMAN and Family Planning Programs are glad that you can join us to learn updates and best practices in women's health. We hope you enjoy your time in beautiful Breckenridge.

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Schedule at a Glance

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Monday, May 16, 2016		
11:00 a.m.—5:30 p.m.	Registration Open	Front Lobby
11:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.	Boxed lunch provided	Columbine Ballroom
12:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.	Family Planning Quality Improvement	Columbine B & C
12:00 p.m.—4:30 p.m.	Clinical Quality Improvement: Evidence-Based Interventions to Improve Population Health	Mt. Elbert
Tuesday, May 17, 2016		
7:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m.	Registration Open	Front Lobby
7:30 a.m.—8:30 a.m.	Breakfast	Columbine Ballroom
8:30 a.m.—10:30 a.m.	Opening Words and Plenary Sessions	Columbine Ballroom
10:30 a.m.—10:50 a.m.	Break	Pre-Function Space
10:50 a.m.—12:00 p.m.	Breakout Sessions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Self-Measured Blood Pressure • Human Trafficking in the Health Care Setting • Understanding Barriers to Health-care for Diverse Populations 	Lupine Mt. Elbert Paintbrush
12:00 p.m.—1:00 p.m.	Lunch	Columbine Ballroom
1:10 p.m.—2:20 p.m.	Breakout Sessions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) Basics • HIV PrEP Resources & Programs in Colorado • Managed Care Strategies for Success • Medical Evaluation & Initiation of Treatment for Hypertension and Diabetes 	Lupine Lupine Mt. Elbert Paintbrush
2:20 p.m.—2:40 p.m.	Break	Pre-Function Space
2:40 p.m.—3:50 p.m.	Breakout Sessions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HPV Vaccine - Strategies for Increasing Uptake • Out for Health: LGBTQ Inclusivity Panel • Basics in Medication Adherence in Diabetes and Hypertension 	Lupine Mt. Elbert Paintbrush

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Wednesday, May 18, 2016		
7:30 a.m.– 10:30 a.m.	Registration Open	Front Lobby
7:30 a.m.– 8:30 a.m.	Breakfast	Columbine Ballroom
8:30 a.m.– 10:00 a.m.	Plenary Session	Columbine Ballroom
10:00 a.m.– 10:15 a.m.	Break	Pre-Function Space
10:15 a.m.– 11:25 a.m.	Breakout Sessions:	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Liletta IUD Insertion Training (RSVP Required) Contraceptive Updates Alcohol and Drug Prevention in Women’s Health 	Iris Mt. Elbert Lupine

eCaST Office Hours

Have questions or concerns about eCaST or other Informatics issues?

Attendees can visit the Informatics table during break times to set up an appointment with the Informatics team. The table will be set up at the pre-function space. Break times to request an appointment during the conference are:

May 17 • 10:30–10:50 a.m.

May 17 • 2:20–2:40 p.m.

The Informatics team will also be available during the Monday workshops.

WWC and WISEWOMAN Clinical Office Hours

You are invited to stop by the “office hours” table to discuss your WWC or WISEWOMAN clinical questions with the nurse consultant. The nurse consultant will be available during these times:

May 16 • 11:00am-12:00pm

May 17 • 7:30-8:30am & 12:00-1:00pm

May 18 • 7:30-10:00am

General Conference Information

Registration Desk

The conference registration desk is located in the Double Tree front lobby. The registration desk is open:

Monday, May 16 • 11:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 17 • 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 18 • 7:30 – 10:30 a.m.

Access Meeting Materials

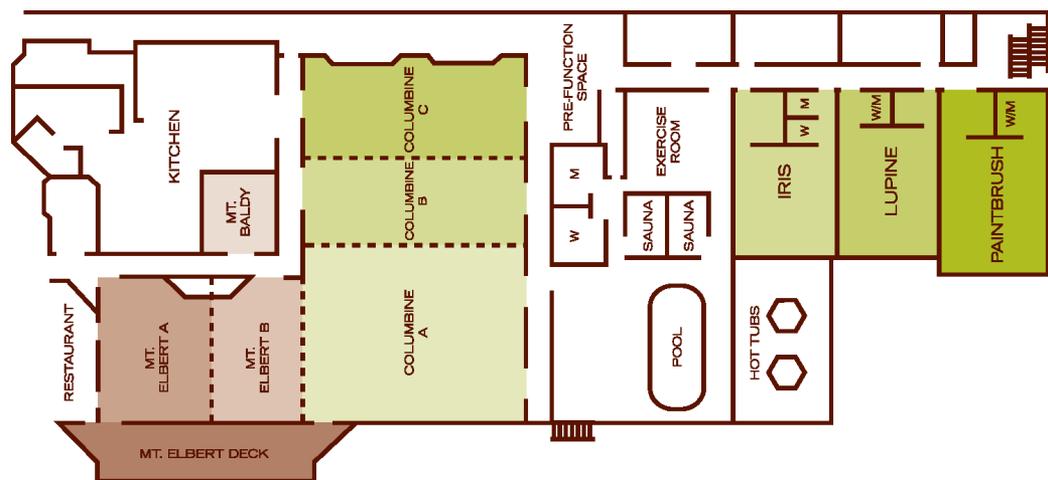
Slides and handouts from each conference session are available on the CDPHE family planning program website. *Not all meeting materials will be available online at the time of the conference.*

Staying Connected

Wireless internet access is available to all participants staying at the Double Tree Breckenridge. During your stay, you can log in anywhere on the property by following the instructions below:

1. Connect to the AT&T wifi (*honor works as well*)
2. Open web browser, which will display a Hilton login page
3. Enter the room number and last name on the reservation
4. Connect!

Map of Meeting Space



Detailed Schedule

Monday, May 16, 2016

11:00 a.m.—5:30 p.m.

Registration Open — *Front Lobby*

11:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

Boxed Lunch Provided — *Columbine Ballroom*

12:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.

Family Planning Quality Improvement — *Columbine B & C*

The Family Planning Program will be presenting the Quality Improvement (QI) committee initiative. The session will start with an introduction to QI and the triple aim and discuss PDSA training.

From there, a panel of the QI committee members will discuss their mini-PDSAs that they implemented. Plans for the program's QI from May through November 2016 will be discussed.

12:00 p.m.—4:30 p.m.

Clinical Quality Improvement: Evidence Based Interventions to Improve Population Health — *Mt. Elbert*

The CDPHE Clinical Quality Improvement (CQI) team will offer a workshop to address different ways to improve population health. This will include discussing the Colorado Cancer plan, having a panel of agencies discuss successes and challenges with implementing evidence-based interventions (EBIs), and then exploring the root cause analysis methodology. Afterwards, the CQI team will share various tools to help you implement EBIs successfully.

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Breakfast — *Columbine Ballroom*

8:30 a.m.— 10:30 a.m.

Opening Words and Plenary Sessions — *Columbine Ballroom*

Opening Welcome: Dr. Larry Wolk

Health Equity: Why it Matters and

How We Get There: Web Brown, MSW

Health Equity in Women's Health:

Breast Cancer as a Cancer Study: Toni Panetta

10:30 a.m.—10:50 a.m.

Break — *Pre-Function Space*

10:50 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

Breakout Sessions

Seating in all workshops is available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Self-Measured Blood Pressure (SMBP) — *Lupine*

This session will provide a brief overview of pre-hypertension and hypertension (HTN) in Colorado. It will focus on using SMBP to diagnose HTN in primary care and the effectiveness of SMBP, as well as give tools and tips for a successful SMBP program.

Linda Murakami, RN, BSN, MSHA,
American Medical Association

Detailed Schedule (continued)

Human Trafficking in the Health Care Setting – Mt. Elbert

This session will define and discuss human trafficking in Colorado, vulnerabilities and barriers to access, and how providers can screen, assess, and care for individuals who maybe involved in human trafficking. They will discuss issues specific to minors and adolescents, and provide local and national resources.

Dr. AnnJanette Alejano-Steele, The Laboratory to Combat Human Trafficking

Cris Finn, Ph.D., RN, FNP, FNE, The Laboratory to Combat Human Trafficking

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Understanding Barriers to Healthcare for Diverse Populations – Paintbrush

This interactive workshop will help participants understand the impact of social determinants and explore strategies to help patients from diverse populations overcome barriers to healthcare.

Maria Velasco, The Spring Institute

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12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Lunch – Columbine Ballroom

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1:10 p.m. – 2:20 p.m.

Breakout Sessions

Seating in all workshops is available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Pre-Exposure Prophalaxis (PrEP) Basics (1:10-2:05 p.m.) – Lupine

This session will explain the foundational science behind PrEP efficacy. The

presenter will discuss the importance of PrEP adherence, how to assess for HIV risk, and review the clinical components of a PrEP program, inclusive of prescribing PrEP, providing ongoing care for those on PrEP, and addressing fiscal concerns.

Mark Thrun, Ph.D., Gilead Sciences

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HIV PrEP Resources & Programs in Colorado (2:05-2:20 p.m.) – Lupine

This session will include a brief overview of the current and intended statewide financial assistance and psycho-social support programs related to HIV PrEP in Colorado. Providers will have an opportunity to ask questions and receive information on how to support their patients who currently utilize a PrEP regimen to prevent the acquisition of HIV.

Thomas Deem, RN, BSN, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment

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Managed Care Strategies for Success – Mt. Elbert

This session will review actual managed care contracts with an emphasis on language and leverage for negotiations. Presenters will discuss contract terms and reimbursement calculations, and credentialing timelines, terms, and how to do it most effectively.

R. Todd Welter, MS, CPC, RT Welter

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Medical Evaluation & Initiation of Treatment for Hypertension and Diabetes – *Paintbrush*

This session will focus on the WISE-WOMAN program’s overall goal of reducing cardiovascular disease risk, primarily centered on hypertension control. The presenter will review screening tests commonly used in identifying hypertension and diabetes, as well as components of the medical evaluation. Management options for initiating treatment in the hypertensive patient will also be discussed.

Jamie Vader, PA-C Metro Community Providers Network

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2:20 p.m.–2:40 p.m.

Break – Pre-Function Space

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2:40 p.m.–3:50 p.m.

Breakout Sessions

Seating in all workshops is available on a first-come, first-served basis.

HPV Vaccine—Strategies for Increasing Uptake – *Lupine*

This session will discuss HPV infection and disease, and the HPV vaccine and its coverage. The presenter will then discuss evidence-based strategies for increasing immunization rates, how to communicate with parents and patients, and strategies in the pipeline.

Sean O’Leary, MD, University of Colorado

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Out for Health: LGBTQ Inclusivity Panel – *Mt. Elbert*

This panel will examine the health inequities experienced by lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender communities across Colorado - from the health care and coverage landscape to how to create an LGBTQ friendly office or clinic. Hear from folks working on the ground to address LGBTQ inequities and learn more about best practices in LGBTQ health.

Robin Christian, University of Colorado third year medical student

Leo Kattari, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment

Jane Lose, CNM, NP, Metro Community Care Provider Network

Felicia Pless, RN, BSN, Colorado Access

Sable Schultz, M.Ed, GLBT Community Center of Colorado

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Basics in Medication Adherence in Diabetes and Hypertension – *Paintbrush*

This session will define medication non-adherences and discuss patterns of non-adherence, including barriers. The presenter will present evidence-base interventions and new programs and interventions to improve adherence.

P. Michael Ho, MD, PhD, VA Eastern Colorado Health Care System

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8:30—10:00 a.m.

Disparate Measures: Health Care Coverage and Access for Colorado’s Women — Columbine Ballroom

In 2015, just five percent of Colorado’s women were uninsured - a record low. But women are still more likely than men to have inadequate insurance or face barriers to accessing care. Learn about results from the most recent Colorado Health Access Survey. The session will discuss the Affordable Care Act’s impact on women across the state and take a look at what to expect going forward.

Emily Johnson, MS, Colorado Health Institute

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10:00 a.m.—10:15 a.m.

Break — Pre-Function Space

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10:15 a.m.—11:25 a.m.

Breakout Sessions

Seating in all workshops is available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Liletta IUD Insertion Training — Iris

This session is provided by Allergan to give hands-on training to providers

to learn to properly insert the intrauterine device, Liletta. *RSVP required.*

Elisa Bearall, Allergan

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Contraceptive Updates — Mt. Elbert

This session is to recap the successes and efforts of family planning in Colorado over the past few years. Looking forward, the presenter will provide information on new research and contraceptive updates. Presenter will provide a recap of the family planning QI Project.

Rebecca Cohen, MD, University of Colorado School of Medicine 2nd year fellow

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Alcohol and Drug Prevention in Women’s Health — Lupine

Women’s health has special considerations related to alcohol, marijuana, tobacco, and other drug use across the lifespan. Screening, brief intervention and referral to treatment (SBIRT) can help in prevention and early intervention to address substance use. It can also help develop skills to motivate change in alcohol, tobacco, and other drug use. This session will discuss alcohol and drug use in the context of overall health and wellness.

Carolyn Swenson, FNP, MSPH, Peer Assistance Services

Cassidy Smith, MHA, Peer Assistance Services

Speaker Bios

AnnJanette Alejano-Steele

Dr. AnnJanette Alejano-Steele is a professor in the departments of women's studies and psychology at Metropolitan State University of Denver, as well as the co-founder and Research and Training Director for the Denver-based Laboratory to Combat Human Trafficking (LCHT). She has taught about human trafficking since 2000 and researched and trained on the subject since 2005. She coordinates Metro State's Human Trafficking Academic Response Team that has supported survivors of human trafficking over the last 9 years. Her expertise has focused upon multicultural psychology; health access for vulnerable populations; and comprehensive services for victims. She currently serves on five national working groups focused on trauma and human trafficking- three for the Department of Health and Human Services Office on Women's Health on Trauma-Informed Care, Administration for Children and Families and Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration; one for the American Psychological Association Task Force on Trafficking of Women and Girls; and one for the US Bureau of Justice National Institute of Justice Expert Research Working Group on Human Trafficking.

In 2012, she was one of the inaugural speakers at the Denver TEDxMileHighWomen, where she spoke about human trafficking in Colorado. She was also named a CBS4 Game Changer in 2013, and in 2014 she presented at the United Nations' Commission on the Status of Women on LCHT's groundbreaking Colorado Project to Comprehensively Combat Human Trafficking. Her applied work in the anti-human trafficking movement has privileged her with the knowledge of structural violence, vulnerability, community resilience and data-informed community-led social change.

Renzo Amaya, MPH

Renzo Amaya, MPH, is a chronic disease and health systems coordinator at the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment. As part of the Clinical Quality Improvement (CQI) initiative, Renzo engages health systems that implement evidence-based interventions to improve diabetes and hypertension control. Prior to his current position, Renzo was a patient navigator at Denver Health & Hospital Authority where he learned and applied some of the concepts outlined in the CQI's portfolio of interventions.

Deb Bell, DNP

Deb Bell began her career in Public Health at Tri-County Health Department (TCHD) in 2001. While working at TCHD, Deb completed her Nursing Doctorate residency and graduated in 2002 from University of Colorado School of Nursing. Deb returned to the University of Colorado and received her Women's Health NP degree in 2008 and obtained her Doctor of Nursing Practice degree in May 2016.

After completing her Nursing Doctorate residency at TCHD, Deb was hired as a clinician at the Denver Metro Health Clinic (DMHC) and has been employed at DMHC

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at Denver Public Health for the past 13 years. As a nurse practitioner at DMHC, she provides state-of-the-art clinical training to healthcare providers who diagnose, treat, and manage sexually transmitted infections. She has also held the position of Title X Coordinator at DMHC for the past 10 years.

Eric Bell, MPH

Eric Bell works as a population health analyst at the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment where he primarily supports tasks corresponding to data analysis for the Clinical Quality Improvement (CQI) initiative. Prior to working with the CQI project, Eric served as the data manager for the Colorado Birth defects registry.

Kathy Brown, CNM, MS

Kathy Brown is the Reproductive Health Administrator at the City and County of Broomfield. With extensive experience as a nurse midwife, she has been a strong advocate for reproductive health care in Colorado and the nation by both teaching at the university level, helping systematically improve quality of care, and providing direct services.

Web Brown, MSW

Web Brown comes to Colorado after spending the last 19 years working on issues of health equity in Missouri. Web began his career in 1998 working in the field of HIV/AIDS as Program Director for Saint Louis Effort For AIDS, an organization dedicated to providing both prevention and comprehensive support services to those living with HIV/AIDS. In this role he focused on helping communities address social determinants of health to reduce racial and economic disparities in HIV/AIDS. Web ended his tenure at Saint Louis Effort For AIDS in 2006 as the Executive Director.

Web continued his career at Missouri Foundation for Health in the role of Program Director. He worked on behalf of the foundation to engage communities in the development of strategies to leverage foundation resources to address issues of health equity. During his time at the Foundation Web lead initiatives to development and implement a statewide patient centered medical home initiative, reduce childhood obesity, and increase the use of evidence based interventions for addressing childhood asthma. Web has taught courses in cultural competency, social justice, and health equity since 2004.

Dan Canfield, MPH

Dan Canfield received his Master in Public Health degree from Indiana University and currently serves as an evaluator at the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE). Dan is currently the lead evaluator for the Clinical Quality Improvement (CQI) initiative, and is a part of the Evaluation Team within the Center for Health and Environmental Data (CHED). Prior to being at CDPHE, Dan was a Health Research Specialist at the University of Illinois at Chicago.

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Robin Christian

Robin is a third year medical student at the University of Colorado. He identifies as a gay trans man, and has interacted with the health care system extensively both as a patient and a provider. He started in the healthcare system as an EMT, and educated other EMS providers about the importance of transgender health care. More recently, he worked with One Colorado and the GLBT Center of Colorado on the Colorado Transgender Health Survey. He is passionate about reproductive health and hopes to pursue a career in obstetrics and gynecology.

Rebecca Cohen, MD

Dr. Rebecca Cohen is a 2nd year fellow in Family Planning. She attended the Ohio State University for medical school, completed her internship at Emory University, and her residency at the University of Illinois in Chicago. She is an advocate for all aspects of women's health, and her research interests include adolescent contraceptive choice and patient counseling.

Nikki Collins, MPH

Nikki has 10 years of experience implementing evidence based chronic disease prevention programs from the community clinic through state level. As the past Comprehensive Cancer Program Manager at Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Nikki led the revision of the 2016-2020 Colorado Cancer Plan which serves as the state's roadmap for reducing the burden of cancer in the state. Nikki currently serves as the Chronic Disease and School Health Program Manager at CDPHE overseeing an integrated CDC grant using policy, systems and environmental changes strategies, in addition to community-clinical linkages, to reduce chronic disease in Colorado.

Kelly Conroy, BSN, MPH

Kelly works as a Public Health Nurse Supervisor at Jefferson County Public Health. In addition to supervising a team of nurses and clinical staff, she provides program oversight to the Family Planning, STI, HIV, and syringe exchange programs. Kelly has been a registered nurse for 12 years, and has experience in both hospital-based acute care and public health. She has a Bachelor's degree in biology from Pennsylvania State University, a Bachelor's degree in nursing from Johns Hopkins School of Nursing, and her Master's degree in Public Health from the University of Colorado. Her expertise is in the areas of public health nursing and sexual and reproductive health.

Maureen Daly, MD, MPH

Dr. Maureen Daly is a board certified Internist and Preventive Medicine/Public Health specialist. She has extensive experience leading change initiatives in primary care and has provided virtual and on-site coaching to multidisciplinary healthcare teams

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over the past six years.

Maureen is currently providing quality improvement consultation and coaching to Colorado school-based health centers (SBHCs) through CDPHE's School-Based Health Center Program. As part of a federal demonstration grant, Maureen provided quality improvement coaching to interdisciplinary practice teams in the areas of preventive services (including sexual health and sexually transmitted infection (STI) prevention/treatment), patient engagement, and patient-centered medical home. She previously developed and implemented the Clinical Quality Improvement Program and Best Practice Initiative in Louisiana SBHCs.

She has over 14 years of experience working as a primary care physician. She has presented at state and national conferences on quality improvement methodologies and healthcare reform; facilitated learning collaboratives for primary care practices; and currently serve as expert faculty for the School-Based Health Alliance's School Health Services National Quality Initiative.

Maureen received her medical degree from the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center and her master in international public health from Tulane University.

Cathy de Mahy

Cathy is the practice manager at Flatiron Internal Medicine in Louisville, Colorado. As a practice manager for 27 years, she has managed Internal Medicine practices for 19 years, Ob/Gyn for 7 years, and for 1 year was hired to build a new Internal Medicine practice from the ground up as a manager/consultant. Cathy attended Bard College in New York and New College of California a million years ago with majors in education and psychology. Cathy's core values include a positive attitude, hard work and empowering others.

Thomas Deem, RN, BSN

Thomas currently serves as the acting Statewide Biomedical Intervention Coordinator at the Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment where he is responsible for the development and implementation of a scalable, statewide plan of action for the uptake of HIV, STI and Viral Hepatitis biomedical interventions. His current focus is on increasing the use of Pre-exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) among populations at greatest risk for HIV acquisition. He has worked in public health for approximately 9 years. Thomas' educational background includes bachelor's degrees in molecular biology and nursing from Regis University. He is also working towards the completion of his Master of Science in Nursing with a family nurse practitioner focus, at the same institution.

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Dr. Cris Finn, PhD, RN, FNP, MSN, MBA, CPHQ, CFNE, SANE

Cris Finn is currently a full time Professor at Regis University teaching advanced nursing curricula and healthcare ethics. Cris is a sought after speaker who conducts seminars in forensic nursing, child abuse, marginalized population concerns, quality improvement, teaching strategies, and business management. Cris specialized in emergency and trauma nursing the first 15 years of her career. She has a private practice as an FNP since 1990. She completed her PhD in nursing at the University of Colorado at Denver in 2008. She is a Certified Practitioner in Healthcare Quality (CPHQ), Certified Emergency Nurse (CEN), Certified Forensic Nurse Examiner (FNE), and holds a Certificate in Graduate Forensic Nursing (CFN). Cris has been guest lecturing to government/university audiences on the subject of community medicine and the law emphasizing forensic nursing issues. She was afforded the opportunity to teach internationally in six countries for 4 weeks each visit including, Pateala, India; Durban, South Africa; Harare, Zimbabwe; Vancouver, Canada; and the United States at UCCS and CU Denver. She taught in Vietnam during the summer of 2010, 2012, 2013, and 2014 in their first Master of Science program. She is a life partner to husband Ken; mother to two wonderful daughters, Jennifer and Rebecca; and grandmother to Kenzi and Maezlynn.

Michael Ho, MD, PhD

P. Michael Ho is a staff cardiologist at the VA Eastern Colorado Health Care System and Professor of Medicine, University of Colorado Denver. He is co-Director of the VA HSR&D Denver-Seattle Center of Innovation to Promote Veteran-Centered Value-Driven Care (DiSCOVVR). His research has focused on describing the prevalence of medication non-adherence among patients with cardiovascular diseases and implementing collaborative care interventions to improve medication adherence and risk factor control, including hypertension and hyperlipidemia.

Emily Johnson, M.S.

Emily Johnson joined the Colorado Health Institute (CHI) as a policy analyst in May 2015. Her work at CHI is focused on both health policy and quantitative analysis. She previously worked as a researcher and analyst in NYC, with a focus on reproductive health care. Emily graduated from the University of Colorado in May 2015 with a Master of Science degree in health services research. Her academic research focused on associations between state regulations and non-profit hospital community benefit spending. She holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in philosophy and religion from the University of Mary Washington in Fredericksburg, VA.

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Leo Kattari

Leo Kattari is a passionate advocate for health equity and social justice. He currently oversees the Healthy Kids Colorado Survey at the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment. Leo's background is in social work, policy/advocacy, community mobilization, and health education. He has worked with organizations, universities, and health care institutions across the country to advance the health and well-being of all people with an emphasis in LGBT health, leadership development, and community engagement.

Jane Lose, CNW, NP

Jane Lose is a Nurse Midwife and Nurse Practitioner, who has been in practice since 2002, when she graduated from Yale University. She has been living in Denver for the past 10 years, and has worked at Metro Community Provider Network (MCPN) for the 8 years, the past 3 as Associate Medical Director of Women's Services.

Kelly Means, MPH

Kelly Means received a Master's Degree in Public Health and currently works at the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment. Kelly's position as a Health Systems Quality Improvement Specialist utilizes clinic-wide screening rate information to inform and structure quality improvement activities to ensure a population-based approach to increase cancer screenings, as well as chronic disease screening and control, among clinic populations.

Lauren Moser

Lauren with Flatiron Internal Medicine has a split role: half time as a quality improvement coordinator and half time as a receptionist. She graduated from the University of Tennessee with a degree in French and has since worked in eye care and internal medicine. Focused, capable and smart, Lauren has done a great job tackling quality care and the detailed 'heavy lifting' work of quality improvement.

Linda Murakami, RN, BSN, MSHA

Linda Murakami is an Improvement Advisor for Improving Health Outcomes at the American Medical Association (AMA). Linda was the lead for the development of the Self-measured Blood Pressure Guide for the American Medical Association and Johns Hopkins Medicine. Linda has been the Director of Quality Improvement for large home health care agencies as well as the ambulatory care setting. Linda has a clinical background as a registered nurse with a focus on the medical/oncology patient population along with 18 years as a quality improvement professional.

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Sean O’Leary, MD

Sean O’Leary is a Pediatric Infectious Diseases specialist and Associate Professor of Pediatrics at the University of Colorado. Dr. O’Leary received a BA in Environmental Studies from Brown University in 1991 and graduated from University of Texas Houston Medical School in 1996. After completing pediatric residency at The Children’s Hospital in Denver in 1999, he moved to Fort Collins where he practiced as a general pediatrician for 8 years. Dr. O’Leary currently is an Associate Professor with a joint appointment in the sections of General Academic Pediatrics and Pediatric Infectious Diseases. He is the liaison to the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) for the Pediatric Infectious Diseases Society and serves on the ACIP Work Group. His research interests include immunization delivery, vaccine safety, and vaccine hesitancy. He is a frequent speaker on vaccine hesitancy and strategies to increase vaccination rates both regionally and nationally.

Toni Panetta

Toni Panetta serves as director of mission programs for Susan G. Komen Colorado. In that capacity, she manages the organization’s local grant process to allocate funding across a 22-county service area to remove cost as a barrier to breast cancer screening, diagnostics, and treatment services for medically underserved women and men; implements the organization’s state and federal public policy activities; and oversees the organization’s regular community needs assessment. Prior to joining Komen Colorado in 2013, Panetta served as political director for NARAL Pro-Choice Colorado & NARAL Pro-Choice Colorado Foundation, where she managed the organization’s state public policy activities, including increasing access to contraception through the Colorado Family Planning Initiative. Panetta received her master’s degree in international studies from the Korbel School of International Studies at the University of Denver. Panetta is a Colorado native who enjoys international travel and has a weakness for the Los Angeles Dodgers.

Felicia Pless, RN

Felicia Pless is a RN Care Manager at Colorado Access. With degrees in registered nursing and public health her current work focuses on addressing the needs of special populations. Prior to her work at Colorado Access, Felicia worked as a Care Coordinator at the Callen-Lorde Community Health Center. There she worked on a Health Outreach to Teens (HOTT) program that was designed to specifically meet the medical and mental health needs of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning adolescents and you adults ages 13-24. Felicia is a member of the Gay and Lesbian Medical Association (GLMA) and the American Public Health Association (APHA).

Virginia Rizo

Virginia was born and raised in Greeley, CO. She is the oldest of six children. She attended Job Corps when she turned 16 and earned her certificate in Business A. She

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started her college degree at the local community college Aims and earned her Associate's degree there. Virginia then transferred to Colorado State University and obtained her Bachelor's degree in Social Work. She returned to Sunrise Community Health Center and is now the Social Worker for the Monfort Family clinic in Evans. The services she provides to patients vary from reading mail, completing applications, completing referrals for resources and case managing their Women's Wellness Connection program. Her weekends are taken up with softball games and spending time with family and friends. She loves to cook for them and just spend time together.

Liz Romer, DNP, MS

Liz Romer is an assistant professor in the department of pediatrics, section of Adolescent Medicine, at University of Colorado School of Medicine. She has over 13 years of experience in the field of family planning and Title X administration. She holds a BA in Sociology from Wesleyan University and received her Nursing Doctorate and Masters of Science in Nursing from the University of Colorado. In her current position she is able to pursue her passion for young women's health, while exploring innovative new ways of connecting with adolescents and young adults. Liz is a nurse practitioner who splits her time between patient care and program administration. She directs a team of nurse practitioners in 4 clinic locations in Colorado Springs and the Denver metro area serving over 4000 patients annually. Additionally she recently co-authored an article about Long-Acting Contraceptive Awareness in Adolescents in the Journal of Adolescent Health as well as presented her clinical work on developmental approaches to contraception counseling in adolescent patients at the Society of Family Planning and the National Association of Pediatric and Adolescent Gynecology.

Sable Schultz, M.Ed

Sable Schultz is the Transgender Program Manager at The GLBT Community Center of Colorado, where her work includes inclusivity and awareness trainings, providing resources support services for the trans community in the Denver metro area, and programming to assist in developing community awareness and engagement. Sable identifies as a queer trans woman, has a Master's in higher education, and is a 15 year Colorado resident. She has worked with the Mental Health Center of Denver, University of Denver's Center for Multicultural Excellence, the Movement Advancement Project, and the LGBTQ Student Resource Center on Auraria campus.

Jeff Scott

Jeff has been an Application Developer with the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment for 7 plus years building secure and public-facing applications for the Public Health Informatics Unit. Jeff has created many robust web

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applications that utilize low-cost open source technologies in an effort to build Efficient, Elegant and Economical IT solutions for the people of Colorado.

Cassidy Smith, MHA

Cassidy Smith is director of the SBIRT Colorado initiative at Peer Assistance Services, Inc. where she works to promote the widespread adoption of screening, brief interventions and referrals to treatment (SBIRT) for substance use and related issues in health care settings. An experienced health care policy and public health professional, Cassidy has held program and project management roles within nonprofit organizations, state government agencies and academic institutions. She has more than 15 years of experience with innovative program design, implementation and evaluation and has worked closely with health insurance plans, foundations, health care providers, consumers, advocates, government agencies and policymakers to advance various, complex health care reform initiatives.

Prior to joining SBIRT Colorado, Cassidy worked with the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, The Colorado Health Foundation, Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing and HealthTeamWorks. Cassidy completed the Advanced Leadership Training Program at the Regional Institute for Health and Environmental Leadership. She is past president of the Colorado Society for Public Health Education and a volunteer ambassador for Bonfils Blood Center. She earned her master's degree in Health Policy and Administration from the University of Illinois at Chicago School of Public Health and her undergraduate degree from Hendrix College in Conway, Arkansas.

David Solawetz, RN, BSN

David is dedicated to lifelong learning. He has worked as a Journey Bricklayer, a Professional Ski Patroller, a Registered Nurse and a Lean consultant. In his 32 years working in rural health, he has worn many hats, many of them at the same time. He has extensive experience in cardiopulmonary, emergency and perioperative nursing, and in the leadership of emergency, trauma and cardiopulmonary services, as well as, utilization review, case management, service excellence and process improvement. Currently, he's leading Middle Park Medical Center in a cultural transformation to Lean Thinking and Service Excellence, wearing the hats of Director of Quality, Process Improvement and Risk Management. David also does some consulting through SigmaMed Solutions. He lives in the mountains near Kremmling, CO with his wife, and enjoys fishing, hunting, hiking and gardening.

Carolyn Swenson, FNP, MSPH

Carolyn Swenson is a registered nurse who completed training as an FNP and received a Master of Science in Public Health from the University of Colorado. She is the Manager of Training and Consultation for SBIRT- Colorado at Peer Assistance

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Services, Inc. in Denver, Colorado - a non-profit dedicated to prevention and intervention services in workplaces and communities, focused on substance use and related issues. For many years Carolyn has been training health professionals on alcohol and drug prevention and early intervention, depression, motivational interviewing, tobacco cessation and suicide prevention. During her nursing career she has worked as a pediatric ICU nurse, public health nurse on the Navajo Indian Reservation, in refugee healthcare in Africa, with migrant farmworkers in rural Colorado, managing quality improvement projects, and coordinating research projects on diabetes, cardiovascular disease and aging in the San Luis Valley in rural, southern Colorado.

Mark Thrun, MD

Mark Thrun is an Associate Director for HIV Medical Sciences at Gilead Sciences where his focus is on HIV prevention. Previously he was the Director of HIV and STD Prevention and Control at the Department of Public Health in Denver, an Associate Professor at the University of Colorado, and the Director of the Denver Prevention Training Center. He is a past Co-chair of the National Network of STD/HIV Prevention Training Centers and has served as a consultant to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention on HIV prevention, testing, and preexposure prophylaxis. With an interest in health access and equity, Mark volunteers in the community on the board of directors for One Colorado, a statewide LGBT-advocacy organization. Dr. Thrun received his doctorate in medicine and completed his residency at the University of Cincinnati. He completed an Infectious Diseases fellowship at the University of Colorado.

Jamie Vader, PA

Jamie has worked as a Physician Assistant in Family Medicine at Metro Community Providers Network for almost 8 years. Her interest lies specifically in women's health care and in chronic disease management. At MCPN, Jamie has had the pleasure of working on multiple projects to improve care and access to care. An exciting new project is leading as solo medical provider for the west-side Bridges to Care program. Through this program, she provides medical visits to patients' homes in a team approach with the goals of reducing ER use and hospital admissions by giving our highest-risk clients increased attention and education. Jamie has served on the Breast and Cervical Cancer Screening Program Board since 2013. She also joined at the beginning of WISEWOMAN coming to Colorado and was elected to the board to bring some additional insights to treating diabetes, hypertension, etc. serving as both Vice-chair and current Chair for the board.

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Maria Velasco, Program Manager, Spring Institute for Intercultural Learning

Maria Velasco has over 15 years' experience designing and facilitating trainings on building cultural awareness and promoting inclusivity in the workplace. She has worked with teachers, mental health providers, members of non-profit organizations and professionals from several for-profit industries throughout the U.S. From 2008 to 2015 Maria served as the Diversity and Inclusion Manager at Intercambio Uniting Communities where she successfully launched a Cultural Awareness and Diversity program to educate and coach non-profit organizations to become more inclusive and culturally competent. Prior to that, she served as the Director of Language and Cultural Services at Mason General Hospital where she facilitated access to healthcare to multicultural individuals, provided cross-cultural training to physicians and clinical staff and developed and implemented a system-wide cultural competency improvement plan.

Maria was born and raised in Salamanca, Spain. She has a BA in Business Administration and is certified as a Cultural Competency Trainer by the Cross Cultural Health Care Program. She is currently pursuing a Masters in Organizational Development and Leadership at Fielding University.

Virginia Visconti, PhD

Virginia Visconti is the Community Practice Specialist for the Center for Public Health Practice. She is trained as a social-cultural anthropologist and educator and has an extensive background in ethnographic research, community-based participatory research, collective impact coordination, higher education service-learning and community-academic partnership building in diverse settings. Prior to relocating to Colorado, Virginia directed the Public Service Research Program at Stanford University's Haas Center for Public Service, where she also taught in the Urban Studies Program. Most recently, she served as the Collective Impact Coordinator for the Families Forward Resource Center's Healthy Babies Strong Families Healthy Start Program. Virginia holds a dual major PhD in social-cultural anthropology and education policy studies and an MAT in English, both from Indiana University-Bloomington. She also earned a Public Health Sciences Certificate from the Colorado School of Public Health.

Heather Weir, MPH, RD

Heather Weir is the Director of the Office of Planning, Partnerships and Improvement at the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE). She began her current position in February 2015 and previously worked with Denver Public Health as the Performance Improvement Manager. She has over ten years of experience in health care and public health, and has been working in quality improvement (QI) since 2008. Prior to moving to Colorado, Weir worked with Providence Health &

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Services in Portland, OR as a registered dietitian (RD) and diabetes educator and later worked in Eugene, OR with Lane County Public Health and was the QI Coordinator for the Community Health Centers of Lane County. She received her bachelor's degree in health and human development from Montana State University; her dietetic internship from Oregon Health & Science University; and master's degree in public health from Portland State University.

R. Todd Welter, MS, CPC

Mr. Welter has over 25 years of managed care and medical business experience. He has been on faculty at Regis University for over 15 years, teaching "Fundamentals of Managed Care." He is also faculty at the University of Denver and has been teaching "Healthcare Macroeconomics" for over 7 years. Mr. Welter speaks and educated all over the country for many public health and rural health organizations.

Dr. Larry Wolk

Dr. Larry Wolk is executive director and chief medical officer of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment. Since joining the agency in September 2013, Wolk's mission has been to simplify the health system for the citizens of Colorado and to position the department as the leader in providing evidence-based health and environmental information. During his tenure he has overseen flood recovery, a federal shutdown and the promulgation of the nation's first air quality rules specific to methane reduction for oil and gas operations. His new frontier is addressing the myriad issues surrounding medical and retail marijuana.

Before coming to the department, Wolk served as chief executive officer of CORHIO, Colorado's nonprofit health information exchange. He was an executive with Correctional Healthcare Companies, Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Colorado, Prudential Healthcare of Colorado and CIGNA Healthcare. In 1996, Wolk founded the Rocky Mountain Youth Clinics, one of Colorado's largest safety-net clinics and a national model for providing care to the uninsured. He continues to practice medicine there.

Wolk has received many honors, including Colorado Pediatrician of the Year, Denver Business Journal Healthcare Executive of the Year and the 7News Denver Everyday Hero award.

SUMMER ACTIVITIES

BRECKENRIDGE, COLORADO



GOLFING: Enjoy 27 holes of golf in the magnificent setting of the Rocky Mountains at the Breckenridge Golf Club, designed by Jack Nicklaus. Want more? Visit five additional courses within a 35 minute drive.

GOLD MINE TOURS: Experience the days when people flocked to Colorado to strike it rich. Take yourself back in time hundreds of feet underground into a working mine and relive a typical day in the life of a miner.

BRECKENRIDGE FUN PARK: Spend your day at one convenient location, enjoying the superslide, scenic chairlift rides, miniature golf, climbing wall, mountain bike tours, an enormous trampoline and Colorado's largest human maze.

BALLOON RIDES: Experience the exhilaration of silently drifting mid-air with our exquisite Rocky Mountain panorama spread out below.

HORSEBACK RIDING: Let your horse do the walking as you ride in the Rocky Mountains. Trail rides range from one to two hours; breakfast rides are also available.

HAY RIDES: For a relaxing adventure old-west style, take a ride in a horse-drawn wagon. Trips take you through old mining towns with breathtaking scenery. Afterward, enjoy a BBQ cookout over the campfire.

BOATING: Whether you enjoy sailing or paddling, Lake Dillon is the place for you. This vast reservoir abounds with inlets and islands providing majestic lake and mountain views and perfect picnic settings.

WHITE WATER RAFTING: Explore Colorado's beautiful rivers by raft. Great for families and groups; trips available for beginner, intermediate, and advanced rafters.



FLY-FISHING: Learn the art of reading water, casting, hooking, landing, and releasing beautiful Colorado trout at our very own NL Wilson Fly-Fishing School. Lessons, gear and guided trips are available.

JEEP TOURS: Look at Colorado's backcountry in an open-top Jeep or Hummer driven by a professional guide, or rent one yourself. Don't miss this opportunity to stand on the Continental Divide.

ATV TOURS: For big adventures drive your own ATV through rugged mountains and lovely meadows on dirt roads once used by the miners.

HEALTH SPA: After a long day of activities, what could be better than a soothing massage or body treatment.

Relax at the Spa

MOUNTAIN BIKING: Hundreds of trails are spread throughout Breckenridge, ranging from scenic dirt roads to single track that wind through aspen and pine forests. If you're just after the downhill thrill, catch a ride up on the chairlift at the Peak 8 Fun Park!

HIKING: Do you like waterfalls, lakes, wildflowers and all the beauty of nature? Then take a hike on one of Summit County's infinite number of hiking trails.

HISTORIC WALKING TOURS: Tour the Breckenridge Historic District and capture the colorful gold rush days in the oldest continuously inhabited mining town in Colorado.





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