

# **Appendix B**

## **Symposium Faculty Biographies**



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**Faculty Biographies**

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**Jacquelyn Anderson** is currently the senior program manager for policy research at the Corporation for Supportive Housing where she is responsible for managing research and evaluation for the organization. Jacquelyn has a decade of experience in social policy research and program evaluation. Prior to working for CSH, she was a research associate for MDRC, a nonprofit social policy research organization. There she evaluated a number of large-scale national initiatives targeted to low-income families and disabled individuals focused primarily on employment, job retention, and career advancement. She also worked for two years at Mathematica Policy Research in Washington, DC, where she studied anti-poverty programs and policies. Jacquelyn earned a master's degree in public policy from the University of Michigan.

**Lynnette S. Araki** is a senior health program analyst in the Office of Planning and Evaluation (OPE), Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Office of the Administrator, and serves as the lead staff on several cross-cutting projects for HRSA, including the HHS/HUD/VA/DOL joint initiative to improve access to mainstream programs for people experiencing homelessness or who are at risk of homelessness. She is the lead staff for the HRSA Work Group on Homelessness, which is responsible for developing and monitoring implementation of the agency's work plan to address homelessness in HRSA programs in conjunction with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Plan for Ending Chronic Homelessness. She is a staff member of the Secretary's Working Group to End Chronic Homelessness. Other cross-cutting projects for which Ms. Araki is responsible include the HRSA Pacific Basin Initiative, National Forum for State and Territorial Chief Executives, and the agency's Continuing Operations Team to assure continuity of essential functions during a crisis or emergency.

**Martha Are** is North Carolina's first homeless policy specialist, employed by the Department of Health and Human Services. She provides policy staff to the NC Interagency Council for Coordinating Homeless Programs. Prior to her work with the state, Ms. Are had over 15 years of experience with homeless programs including direct service, advocacy, community organizing, and administration.

**Susan Barrow** is an anthropologist who works as a research scientist at the New York State Psychiatric Institute and is an associate director of the Center for Homelessness Prevention Studies at Columbia University. Dr. Barrow's work, which has combined qualitative and quantitative research methods, has focused on services and housing approaches that reduce homelessness among people with mental illness and additional conditions. Recent and current studies have examined how contrasting housing approaches construct social integration for people who have been homeless; the role of housing loss in the dispersal of homeless families; and the processes through which residential instability affects HIV risk among women who experience homelessness.

**Cynthia Belon** has served as the director of the Contra Costa County Health Services Homeless Program since 2000. She is responsible for the planning, organization and direction of all Homeless Program activities, including development and organization of program objectives; coordination of housing, social welfare, and health care for service integration; development and analysis of policies and procedures related to service delivery; and coordination and facilitation of continuum of care planning for ongoing enhancement of countywide homeless services. She has spearheaded the creation and implementation of Contra Costa County's Ten Year Plan to End Homelessness, securing grants from SAMHSA, HUD's Supportive Housing, Shelter Plus Care, and Emergency Shelter Programs. She also secured a federal Interagency Council on Homelessness Chronic Homeless Initiative grant. She began her career in the nonprofit sector, as a clinician and as an executive director, responsible for administration and management of homeless services and of alcohol and other drug treatment services.

**William R. Breakey** is emeritus professor of psychiatry at the Johns Hopkins Medical School. Dr. Breakey was director of community psychiatry at Johns Hopkins and in the 1980s and 1990s with Pamela Fischer conducted several studies of the epidemiology of mental illness in homeless people in Baltimore. He is a former chairman of the Mental Health Section of the American Public Health Association. He has been closely associated with Health Care for the Homeless in Baltimore since its inception, first as a service provider and then as a member of its board of directors. He is chairman of the board of the National Law Center on Homelessness and Poverty.

**Dan Buck** left a successful broadcasting career in 2003 to become the CEO of St. Patrick Center in St. Louis. St. Patrick Center is the largest Homeless Service Agency in the State of Missouri. In his 18 years of broadcasting, Mr. Buck received 13 prestigious media awards, including 18 Emmy nominations and 6 Emmy awards. Known best for his work with *Show Me St. Louis on KSDK*, Dan also spent two years as the morning show host on the BIG 550 KTRS. He was the founder and president of his own video production company that helped nonprofit organizations across America in their fundraising efforts. Dan

was also the creator and executive producer of *Cardinals Crew*, a children's TV show hosted by former Cardinals pitchers Andy Benes and Fred Bird on Fox Sports Net.

**John C. Buckner** is a clinical/community psychologist and assistant professor of psychology in the Department of Psychiatry at Children's Hospital-Boston, Harvard Medical School. Dr. Buckner has worked in the area of family homelessness and poverty for 18 years in both the federal government (National Institute of Mental Health) and as a researcher. Dr. Buckner was the director of research at the National Center on Family Homelessness from 1991–1998. He served as the principal methodologist and led the design and implementation of child assessments in the Worcester Family Research Project, a comprehensive longitudinal investigation of 436 homeless and low-income housed families. Dr. Buckner has also been very involved with the SAMSHA-funded Homeless Families Initiative and serves as the chairperson of the publications subcommittee. Dr. Buckner has been the principal investigator on two NIMH-funded grants and has authored/co-authored numerous empirical articles and reviews/book chapters pertaining to homeless and poor housed families and children.

**Martha Burt** is the director of the Social Services Research Program at the Urban Institute. Dr. Burt has conducted research and written about homelessness for more than 20 years. In 1987, she directed the first national survey of homeless individuals. She has directed numerous studies and reports for HUD, including *Strategies for Reducing Chronic Street Homelessness* (2004) and *Evaluating Continuums of Care for Homeless People* (2002), which was recently followed by a companion *Strategies for Preventing Homelessness* (2006). Her current work focuses on evaluations of transitional and permanent housing efforts in multiple communities, efforts to reduce homelessness among people who are seriously mentally ill, and the Massachusetts Department of Mental Health's Special Homelessness Initiative. Dr. Burt has authored many books on homelessness and continues to be involved in research and policy work on homelessness and residential instability.

**Carol L.M. Caton** is Professor of clinical sociomedical sciences at Columbia University with a joint affiliation with the New York State Psychiatric Institute and the Mailman School of Public Health. She is the recipient of NIH and foundation grants for studies of the socio-epidemiology of homelessness, schizophrenia and severe mental illness, and psychosis and substance use comorbidity. She is the author of *Homeless in America* (Oxford University Press) and numerous scientific articles and book chapters on the topic of homelessness. Dr. Caton is currently principal investigator and director of the Columbia Center for Homelessness Prevention Studies, the nation's only NIMH-funded research center for the development of new and more effective approaches to homelessness prevention. She participated in the development of the New York City ten-year plan and currently serves as a member of the Research Advisory Board for the New York City Department of Homeless Services. Dr. Caton is a member of the Research Council of the National Alliance to End Homelessness.

**Stan Chappell** supervises more than twenty ACF professional staff in ten regional offices whose primary responsibilities are administering the Runaway and Homeless Youth programs (RHY). He also oversees national research and evaluation, strategic planning, partnership development, data collection/analysis, and systems development both in RHY and in the Mentoring Children of Prisoners

program. He is currently directing several congressionally mandated national research projects. In 2003, he was senior advisor for the White House Task Force for Disadvantaged Youth, which released its report to the President in October, 2003. He directed the “from-the-ground-up” re-engineering of FYSB’s national management information system for runaway and homeless youth programs and played a principal role in the creation of the interdepartmental statement of principles, *Toward a Blueprint for Youth: Making Positive Youth Development a National Priority* (2000).

**Richard Cho**, Associate director for the New York Office of the Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH), oversees and manages CSH’s New York program activities and supervises professional staff with primary responsibility for advancing innovative program design and service policies for CSH target populations. Mr. Cho also directly provides financial and technical assistance to nonprofit and public organizations around the creation and operation of supportive housing and provides assistance to government in shaping policies and programs to better serve the needs of new and emerging populations such as people reentering communities from institutions, substance users, youth aging out of institutional care, and families, especially those with chronic health and behavioral health challenges. He has co-authored several reports and publications discussing the housing needs of former prisoners, documenting promising models and practices that can prevent their homelessness and reduce their risk of recidivism, and analyzing policy approaches to integrating sectors and systems to end homelessness. Previously, Mr. Cho worked at AIDS Housing Corporation, a nonprofit that provides technical assistance to HIV/AIDS housing providers in New England.

**Dennis Culhane**’s primary areas of research are homelessness, housing policy, and policy analysis research methods. His work includes studies of the impact of homelessness on the utilization of public health, corrections, and social services in New York City and Philadelphia. Dr. Culhane is leading an effort to produce an annual report for the U.S. Congress on the prevalence and dynamics of homelessness based on analyses of automated shelter records in a nationally representative sample of U.S. cities. He is also working with several jurisdictions to develop a typology of homelessness among families, and to test various interventions to prevent or reduce homeless spells among families.

**Meredith Deming** was born and raised in New York City and environs, and in 1988 relocated to Tampa, FL. Prior to entering a recovery program in 1991, she experienced 20 years of drug addiction and homelessness. As a recipient of numerous public health and government services, as well as 16 years in a 12-step fellowship, Meredith rebuilt her life. She holds master's degrees in social work and public health, and is currently pursuing a Ph.D. Meredith is an independent consultant and therapist, focusing on addiction/recovery and homelessness. She serves on the Board of Directors of the Community Coalition on Homelessness in Bradenton, FL., and is frequently invited to speak at national, state, and local conferences.

**Deborah Dennis** is vice president for technical assistance at Policy Research Associates in Delmar, New York. She has conducted research and provided technical assistance on federal, state, and local homelessness policy and practice for more than 20 years. Together with staff from Abt Associates, she is responsible for organizing the second National Symposium on Homelessness Research. She was an

author and co-editor of *Practical Lessons*, the compendium of commissioned papers produced from the first National Symposium on Homelessness Research in 1998. Ms. Dennis' current projects include providing technical assistance to the federal interagency Policy Academies on Chronic and Family Homelessness, the HUD McKinney Vento National Technical Assistance Program, and the SSI/SSDI Outreach, Access and Recovery (SOAR) Technical Assistance Initiative. She was also the project director for SAMHSA's National Resource Center on Homelessness and Mental Illness from 1988 to 2004 and currently manages HRSA's Health Care for the Homeless Information Resource Center. She is the author or co-author of numerous journal articles and federal policy reports related to homelessness. Prior to joining PRA in 1988, she was a research scientist in the New York State Office of Mental Health evaluating programs for homeless people with serious mental illnesses.

**Michael R. DeVos** is executive director of the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA). MSHDA, a quasi-public agency, actively participates in Michigan's Campaign to End Homelessness and has invested more than \$4 billion in housing for Michigan's low and moderate-income renters, homebuyers, and homeowners. From 1995 to 2005, Mr. DeVos served as the director of the Development Division at the Maine State Housing Authority. While in Maine, he was responsible for policy for affordable housing, supportive housing, and homeless initiatives. He wrote the country's first statewide plan to end homelessness in 2001. From 1991 to 1995, Mr. DeVos served as the executive director of Resources for Community Development, a housing corporation that developed multi-family and supportive housing throughout the San Francisco bay area. He currently serves on the boards of the Michigan Land Bank Fast Track Authority, the Michigan Interfaith Trust Fund, the statewide Local Initiative Support Corporation, and the advisory council of the Community Development Advocates of Detroit.

**Judith Dobbins** is executive director of Covenant House in Washington, DC, where she has worked since 1997. She has spent over 30 years in Washington DC in the design, development, and management of human services programs for children, youth and families in the metropolitan area. Ms. Dobbins began her career at the Children's National Medical Center as coordinator of a program designed to determine the impact of methadone treatment on pregnancies and the neonatal outcomes from mothers addicted to heroin. Following this, she served as director of Youth and Family Services with the Washington Urban League to develop and implement a city-wide program designed to divert pre-adjudicated youth from the juvenile justice system. In early 1990, she became executive director of the District's Coalition for the Homeless, which provides shelter and housing services to over 5,000 individuals annually in the District of Columbia. Ms. Dobbins' vision is to improve access to affordable housing for youth and young adults, and to seek increased vocational training opportunities that will prepare them to earn a living wage.

**Paul B. Dornan** is a social science analyst with the Office of Policy Development and Research (PD&R) in HUD, with a concentration in homeless policy. He has managed numerous research contracts, recent among them Abt Associates' *Effects of Housing Vouchers on Welfare Families* (2006) and M. Davis and Company and UPenn's *Predicting Staying In or Leaving Permanent Supportive Housing* (2006). He is currently monitoring research contracts concerning Housing First, Transitional Housing for Homeless Families, the Costs of Homelessness and the *Annual Homeless Assessment Report* (2007). Before joining PD&R, he served for a number of years as a Branch Chief in the Office of Special Needs

Assistance Programs, which administers the Department's homeless programs. He has taught political science at the University of Louisville, Wittenberg University, and Marquette University.

**Sherrie Downing** is the state team lead for Montana's Policy Academies on Homelessness, state team lead for Montana's SOAR (SSI/SSDI Outreach, Access and Recovery) Team, and coordinator of the Montana Council on Homelessness. She owns Sherrie Downing Consulting and has focused her career on issues and solutions related to poverty and homelessness. Sherrie is the author of numerous publications, including *No Longer Homeless in Montana 2005-06*. She is also editor of the *Prevention Connection Newsletter*, a professional journal for prevention and treatment professionals.

**Amy Dworsky** is a senior researcher at the University of Chicago's Chapin Hall Center for Children. Her research interests include youth aging out of foster care, the educational trajectories of homeless children, pregnant and parenting foster youth, and the service needs of low-income families in Chicago. Dr. Dworsky is currently the project director for several studies at Chapin Hall, including a longitudinal study examining the young adult outcomes of more than 700 former foster youth who aged out of care and a project examining the experiences of pregnancy and parenting Illinois foster youth. She is also the principal investigator for a study examining the educational trajectories of homeless children in the Chicago Public Schools whose families received services from an umbrella organization that operates many of the city's homeless shelters.

**Janice Elliott** is the managing director for program support at the Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH) where she coordinates CSH's four national programs: Policy and Research, Project Development and Finance, Resource Center, and Strategic Partnerships. These program support teams work with CSH service hubs and with project sponsors, government agencies, and other key partners to strengthen the supportive housing industry, reform public policy, and advance the production of high-quality supportive housing. Through her teams, Ms. Elliott leads several national programmatic and policy initiatives, including Taking Health Care Home, Returning Home, and CSH's national lending pool. Ms. Elliott is the former director of CSH's Southern New England program, where she provided overall direction for CSH's efforts to promote supportive housing production and industry growth. Through partnerships with government and philanthropy, she helped to design three statewide initiatives that have served as national models for state-led collaborations to finance supportive housing production.

**Pamela J. Fischer** is a medical anthropologist currently working as a social science analyst in the Homeless Programs Branch, Center for Mental Health Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration. Prior to entering federal service, Dr. Fischer spent more than 20 years researching issues related to homelessness and authored numerous publications on topics such as epidemiology of health and behavioral health problems, criminal behavior, women and children, trauma, and services use.



**Marty (Martha) Fleetwood** is the founder and executive director of HomeBase, a nonprofit legal and technical services firm advancing solutions to homelessness. HomeBase’s focus on addressing the health, mental health, and treatment needs of homeless people began with the groundbreaking report, spearheaded by Ms. Fleetwood, *Meeting the Health Care Needs of California’s Homeless Population*, which detailed not only their needs but also the systemic barriers that impede homeless people’s access to services. Ms. Fleetwood has worked with several California counties and cities to implement multidisciplinary mobile outreach teams to engage homeless people with mental illnesses and co-occurring disorders and link them with housing and services. This work resulted in the publication of two best practice manuals on outreach and service to homeless adults. She has been at the forefront of efforts to promote “mainstreaming” strategies that enhance homeless people’s access to the range of public programs available for low income people. Toward this end, she designed a successful comprehensive technical assistance conference focusing on how to expand access to Medicaid and other benefit programs and to key services such as mental health.

**Anne Fletcher** is a social science analyst within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation (ASPE), Office of Human Services Policy. ASPE conducts policy-relevant research and plays a policy coordination role across the many agencies in the Department, taking the lead on a range of the Departmental activities related to homelessness, such as the Secretary’s Work Group on Ending Chronic Homelessness and serving as the liaison between the Department and the Interagency Council on Homelessness. Anne is the lead analyst within ASPE regarding policy and research issues related to homelessness.

**Patrick J. Fowler** is a graduate student in clinical psychology at Wayne State University. His research and clinical interests pertain to the emotional and behavioral development of at-risk children and adolescents living in poverty, particularly the marginalizing processes involved in exposure to violence and maltreatment among youth. His research and clinical experiences stress the importance of evaluating and intervening at multiple system levels to address the needs of marginalized youth. Recently, Patrick coordinated a study that followed-up 265 adolescents who “aged out” of the foster care system in the Detroit metropolitan area in 2002 and 2003. The study examined the mechanisms that led youth to experience homelessness after foster care and the impact of such experiences on mental health. Patrick also is involved in a federally funded longitudinal study of 251 homeless adolescents and a matched housed sample of 150 other youth. His analyses have been presented at several professional meetings and submitted for publication.

**Nancy Fritz** assumed the role of the first director of Homeless Initiatives in Maine in the summer of 2005 after being appointed to the post by Governor John Baldacci. She serves as the governor’s primary liaison on homeless issues and is a member of his cabinet. Her position is funded by the Maine State Housing Authority, where she also serves as director of the Homeless Initiatives Department. For the past 20 years, Ms. Fritz held leadership positions with Maine nonprofit organizations including one that focused on domestic abuse, one that served young children with disabilities and their families, and a community action agency with a mission to help low-income individuals and their families build their assets. She was a founding member of the Maine Association of Nonprofits and the Maine Children’s

Alliance, and she was a previous chair of the Maine Affordable Housing Network and the Maine Community Action Association. She currently serves on the Board of Directors for the Maine Center for Economic Policy.

**Kennen S. Gross** is a doctoral candidate, specializing in on policy research, evaluation and measurement, at the University of Pennsylvania Graduate School of Education. He previously served as a housing policy analyst for the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency and as an epidemiologist for the Philadelphia Department of Public Health.

**Rosanne Haggerty** is the president and founder of Common Ground Community H.D.F.C., Inc., a New York City-based nonprofit organization dedicated to finding innovative solutions to homelessness. Common Ground was founded in 1991 to rehabilitate the Times Square Hotel, the largest special needs single-room occupancy facility in the United States. Common Ground has similarly developed a range of housing facilities serving formerly homeless and low income households located in New York City, the Hudson Valley, and Connecticut. In addition, Common Ground operates programs designed to prevent homelessness among vulnerable individuals and groups and to assist long-term homeless adults in accessing housing. Under her supervision, Common Ground's innovative work has been recognized with many national and international awards. Ms. Haggerty was a Japan Society Public Policy Fellow, an Adelaide Thinker in Residence, and the recipient of a John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Fellowship.

**Natalie Harris** joined Miami Valley Housing Opportunities, a nonprofit supportive housing provider in Dayton, Ohio, in August of 2005. MVHO manages almost 450 units of supportive housing through ownership and rental assistance administration. Natalie served for 12 years as director of the Specialized Housing Resources Department at Kentucky Housing Corporation. There, she was responsible for development, implementation, and coordination of policies and procedures relating to programs serving homeless and special needs populations. She was also responsible for developing new partnerships and housing solutions and for creating a pipeline to fund over 1,500 units of permanent, supportive housing for homeless people. She has served as a consultant to the U.S. Census Bureau, Corporation for Supportive Housing, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, and the Urban Institute on issues related to rural homelessness and supportive housing. Before joining KHC, Natalie served as director of the statewide Homeless and Housing Coalition of Kentucky and the Appalachia Service Project home repair program.

**Richard L. Harris** is the executive director of Central City Concern, a private nonprofit agency creating solutions to homelessness and chemical dependency in the Portland, Oregon area since 1979. Central City Concern owns or manages 20 buildings with over 1,300 units of low-income housing and provides detoxification facilities, outreach programs to public inebriates, outpatient drug and alcohol treatment, job training, transitional housing, and residential treatment for homeless families. In 2006, Central City Concern served over 15,000 unduplicated individuals. Mr. Harris has 39 years experience in the field of social services, housing, and chemical dependency treatment. In that time, he has created programs that have since been duplicated nationally, such as alcohol and drug free communities in low income transitional and permanent housing; an outreach program for public inebriates; and a network of

those providing service to homeless, chemically dependent people in Portland to share information, reduce duplication and improve the services to individual clients.

**Mary Ellen Hombs** is deputy director of the U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness. Prior to joining the Council in 2003, Ms. Hombs was executive director of the Massachusetts Housing and Shelter Alliance, a statewide coalition of 85 agencies that operate over 250 housing and emergency services programs for homeless people. At MHSA, she led initiatives on both prevention and intervention, served as the sole non-governmental member of the state's Policy Academy team, and participated in Governor Romney's Executive Commission for Homeless Services Coordination, the predecessor to the state's interagency council. She was responsible for several multi-year technical assistance initiatives focused on discharge planning and housing, working closely with state agencies and private sector partners responsible for mental health and substance abuse treatment, Medicaid, housing, and homeless programs. Ms. Hombs has more than 25 years of public policy, direct service, and technical assistance experience in homeless advocacy and programs at the local, state, and national level. She is the author of numerous books and articles on homelessness.

**Martin F. Horn** is the commissioner of New York City's Department of Correction and Department of Probation. Prior to assuming his NYC posts, he was secretary of administration for the State of Pennsylvania, reporting to Governor Tom Ridge, and served as Pennsylvania's secretary of corrections from 1995 to 2000. Commissioner Horn began his career as a New York State parole officer, and his record of public service includes several senior assignments in criminal justice. He was executive director and chief operating officer of the New York State Division of Parole, assistant commissioner of the state's Department of Correctional Services, and superintendent of the Hudson Correctional Facility.

**Julie Hovden** is a special needs assistance specialist in HUD's Office of Special Needs Assistance Programs (SNAPs). Her primary areas of responsibility are HMIS policy development, coordination of all homeless technical assistance activities, oversight of technical assistance contracts and grants related to HMIS, and participation in SNAPs team responsible for data collection and reporting related to continuum of care competitions and IDIS. Prior to joining HUD, she worked on the HMIS Technical Assistance Initiative at The QED Group for 18 months. During the six years prior to her work at The QED Group, she worked in the Bureau of Housing at the Department of Commerce in Madison, Wisconsin, the office responsible for all state and federally funded homeless and housing programs.

**Norman Hursh** is an associate professor in the Department of Rehabilitation Counseling of the Sargent College of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences at Boston University. He directs the graduate specialization in Industrial Rehabilitation and Disability Management and the graduate specialization in Vocational Evaluation. Dr. Hursh is the director of Vocational Rehabilitation Services of the Sargent Clinic at Boston University, a free standing rehabilitation clinic that provides evaluation, return-to-work planning, and rehabilitation services and consultation to workers and employers. He is a certified rehabilitation counselor, a certified vocational evaluator, a licensed rehabilitation psychologist, and a licensed rehabilitation counselor. Dr. Hursh has consulted and provided training to employers, unions, insurance companies, health care providers and governments across the United States, Canada, and New

Zealand. He has conducted research and published extensively in areas of vocational evaluation, job accommodation, and return-to-work for individuals with severe and multiple impairments. He serves on the editorial board of *Work* and *The Psychosocial Rehabilitation Journal*.

**Mark Johnston** was selected in October 2006 as the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Special Needs for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). As Deputy Assistant Secretary, he is responsible for administering the Department's \$1.6 billion in assistance for persons who are homeless and those with AIDS. These funds are used to provide homeless prevention, emergency shelter, transitional housing, permanent housing and supportive services. Mr. Johnston has previously served in various capacities related to solving homelessness, including HUD's director of Homeless Programs, senior advisor on Homelessness, and the deputy director for the U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness. He joined the federal service when selected as a presidential management intern in 1983. He has a bachelors degree in public policy from Brigham Young University and a master's in public affairs from Indiana University.

**Denise Juliano-Bult** is chief of the Systems Research Program in the Division of Services and Intervention Research at the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) Extramural Research Program. She is also an adjunct professor at the School of Social Service at the Catholic University of America. Her prior experience includes serving as supervisor of allied health professions in the NIMH Schizophrenia Research Program at St. Elizabeths Hospital, as well as working as a social worker at the House of Ruth shelter for homeless women in Washington, DC.

**Laura Kadwell** is the director for Ending Long-Term Homelessness in Minnesota, reporting to the commissioners of human services, corrections and housing. She leads implementation of Minnesota's business plan for ending long-term homelessness. Developed by a bi-partisan, public-private-nonprofit working group, the plan has as its primary strategy the creation of 4,000 additional permanent supportive housing opportunities by 2010. Prior to assuming her current position, Ms. Kadwell served as the state of Minnesota's child support director, counsel to the Minnesota House of Representatives' Health and Human Services Committee, and senior program associate for the Children's Defense Fund – Minnesota. Ms. Kadwell has practiced law and provided management consulting to the Department of Work and Pensions in the United Kingdom as well as to state and local child support agencies in the United States.

**Fred Karnas, Jr.** recently joined the Fannie Mae Foundation as senior director for homelessness initiatives where he provides strategic direction to financial and intellectual investments in efforts to end homelessness. For over two decades, Dr. Karnas has worked on homelessness as an advocate, housing and services provider, and policymaker. Before coming to the Fannie Mae Foundation, he served as a policy adviser on urban affairs and community development for Arizona Governor Janet Napolitano. Previous to that, Dr. Karnas served as a Deputy Assistant Secretary at HUD in the Clinton Administration, overseeing that department's \$1.5 billion continuum of care and AIDS housing programs. He served concurrently as acting director of the federal Interagency Council on the Homeless. From 1991 to 1995, he served as executive director of the National Coalition for the Homeless.

**Jill Khadduri**'s area of expertise is the use of data to answer policy questions. Her work on homelessness has focused on measuring the performance of programs that serve people with homelessness, evaluating program costs and benefits, and understanding the characteristics and dynamics of homelessness. Currently, Dr. Khadduri is directing a project to develop methodologies for measuring the costs of homelessness and the costs of interventions for people who become homeless. She is co-director, with Deborah Dennis of Policy Research Associates, of the effort that has supported this National Symposium on Homelessness Research. Dr. Khadduri is also supporting HUD's efforts to improve performance reporting for the HUD McKinney-Vento programs and is part of the team that uses Homeless Management Information Systems data to produce HUD's Annual Homeless Assessment Report. Dr. Khadduri joined Abt Associates, Inc., in 2000 after many years in HUD's Office of Policy Development and Research.

**Katie Kitchin** is the director of the City of Norfolk's Office to End Homelessness where she is tasked with developing and implementing the city's ten year plan to end homelessness, as well as coordinating and overseeing various initiatives in the city to prevent or reduce homelessness. Prior to this, Ms. Kitchin served as special assistant to the director of the Norfolk Department of Human Services where she led a variety of projects related to workforce development programs for families leaving welfare. She also served as a professional staff member of the U.S. House Ways and Means Committee, with responsibility for oversight and legislation related to the nation's Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) and child welfare programs. Her previous positions, include work as an analyst at the U.S. General Accounting Office, and as legislative director for Pennsylvania Governor Tom Ridge.

**Judith Klain** has worked for the City and County of San Francisco since 1983 in various positions in the health and human service areas. Since 1994, she has worked with the Department of Public Health in the areas of policy and planning, HIV/AIDS, disaster readiness, hospital planning, and most recently, community programs where she helps to implement "change" programs in the areas of primary care, mental health, substance abuse, and housing for indigent San Franciscans. In September 2004, she was asked by the mayor's office to develop a new initiative for improving access to services for hard-to-reach homeless San Franciscans. Thus, San Francisco's Project Homeless Connect (PHC) was born; Ms. Klain has been directing this project since its inception. Based on a one-stop-shop model, PHC is a collaboration between government, the private sector, and individual community members. PHC is now an international best practice model implemented in over 100 US cities as well as Canada, Puerto Rico and Australia.

**Paul Koegel**, a medical and urban anthropologist, has engaged in research on homelessness for over 20 years. He directed an NIMH-funded study of homelessness in the Skid Row area of Los Angeles that documented the demographic, social support, and life-style characteristics of the inner-city homeless population and determined the prevalence of mental illness among this population. This study has been called one of the most methodologically sound of NIMH's first generation studies of homelessness. Dr. Koegel was the principal investigator of a longitudinal ethnographic study of the adaptation of homeless mentally ill adults in Los Angeles' Skid Row. He was also the co-principal investigator of an NIMH-funded study that examined service use patterns and costs among homeless and domiciled SMI persons in

Houston, Texas. Dr. Koegel's research on homelessness has focused on evaluating innovative programs, including substance abuse services for homeless adults with co-occurring mental illness and substance dependence. He is currently associate director of RAND Health and manages the internal affairs of its \$50-million research portfolio.

**Charlene E. Le Fauve** is the branch chief for the Co-occurring and Homeless Activities at the Center for Substance Abuse Treatment at the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). Dr. LeFauve is a clinical psychologist who specialized in treating addictions and co-occurring disorders for many years before joining the federal workforce. Her federal career includes policy, legislative, and research experiences at the National Institute on Drug Abuse, the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP), and the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA). She came to SAMHSA in 2004 from NIAAA's Division of Treatment and Recovery Research, where she served as a program official for Pharmacotherapy and Behavioral Clinical Trials Research. Prior to her position at NIAAA, she served as a legislative analyst at ONDCP and scientific consultant to the director. Dr. Le Fauve has held numerous positions at Virginia Commonwealth University's Medical College, including posts as professor, program supervisor, and consultant. She has served on government-wide interagency task forces working with groups on alcohol and substance abuse research, policy, and legislative strategies.

**Walter Leginski** retired from a career in the Department of Health and Human Services in 2004. His last 13 years in HHS were focused on services to homeless individuals, both in the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration and in the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation. In retirement, he is affiliated with Manila Consulting, assisting with the legislatively required triennial evaluation of Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness, consults independently with a small number of clients, and is learning the pleasures of leisure.

**Gretchen Locke** is a senior associate in Abt Associates' Housing and Community Revitalization area. She has 15 years of experience in program evaluation research and technical assistance consulting. Under subcontract to Walter R. McDonald & Associates, Ms. Locke was co-principal investigator on a recent three-site study of the housing first approach to permanent housing for homeless people with chronic mental illness. She has directed projects to develop resource and training modules for HUD's Shelter Plus Care program and Safe Havens. Ms. Locke has contributed to publications on continuums of care for states and involvement of veterans' organizations in homeless assistance networks. Ms. Locke has managed and contributed to projects on a variety of topics in affordable housing, public and assisted housing, and HUD's voucher program. She has also worked with staff from Abt, Policy Research Associates, HHS and HUD to organize this Symposium.

**David Long** is a senior associate at Abt Associates. He has spent more than 30 years evaluating a public policies and programs for disabled individuals, families on welfare, and other disadvantaged populations. During his career he has directed many large-scale, rigorous evaluations at Abt Associates, MDRC, and Mathematica Policy Research. His expertise in applying cost-benefit analysis to social programs is nationally recognized. Mr. Long currently is leading several program implementation and

research tasks in the Benefit Offset National Demonstration (BOND), the largest and most important study of changes in U.S. disability policy ever undertaken. BOND is systematically testing major changes in cash assistance, employment supports, and health insurance for SSDI beneficiaries. The evaluation will involve the random assignment of close to half a million beneficiaries in about one-fifth of all communities nationwide.

**Philip F. Mangano** is the executive director of the U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness. Since coming to the Council in 2002, he has engaged every level of government and the private sector to constellate a national partnership to end homelessness. The priority of the Council has been to ensure that the President's commitment to ending chronic homelessness is realized. Mr. Mangano has been recognized for his leadership on the issue of homelessness and new results in ending homelessness being achieved in cities across the country through the National Partnership created by the Council. He began his work in homelessness in the 1980s, starting as a full-time volunteer on a Boston breadline, then working with African-American churches in responding to homelessness, and eventually serving as director of Homeless Services for the City of Cambridge. Prior to his appointment, Mr. Mangano was the founding executive director of a regional advocacy alliance which became the Massachusetts Housing and Shelter Alliance (MHSA), a statewide coalition of 80 agencies that operate more than 200 programs. During his 12-year tenure, MHSA developed statewide strategies to reduce and end homelessness in Massachusetts, which influenced the national dialogue in Washington and throughout the nation.

**Sue Marshall** is the founding executive director of The Community Partnership for the Prevention of Homelessness, a public/private partnership in the District of Columbia. The Community Partnership, which implemented the DC Initiative on Homelessness in partnership with the District government and HUD, fosters local neighborhood initiatives to resolve chronic community problems, including homelessness, and annually administers more than \$30 million of publicly funded services to people who are homeless. Sue has provided technical assistance in the areas of continuum of care development and implementation, development of plans to end homelessness, and replication of the District of Columbia's model Community Care Grant Program. She has significant experience in the areas of capacity building, organizational development and management, and economic development. Sue also has an extensive history of public service, including eight years as the vice chair of the District of Columbia Housing Finance Agency. She has served as chief of staff of the DC Department of Human Services, mayor's homeless coordinator, staff economist to the DC Council Committee on Finance and Revenue, and urban policy analyst for HUD.

**Marge Martin** is currently director of the Policy Development Division in the Office of Policy Development and Research at HUD. Prior to her position as director, Ms. Martin served as a social science analyst in the division, working on a variety of issues, including the impact of rent and income on affordable housing, community and economic development, mixed income housing, and homelessness. Shortly after beginning her career at HUD in 1987, Ms. Martin helped established the Office of Special Needs Assistance, the part of HUD responsible for administering the Department's homeless programs. She has been involved in homeless issues and homeless research for the past two decades and continues to serve as one of the Department's leading experts in this area.

**Ann S. Masten**, a licensed psychologist and Distinguished McKnight University Professor in the Institute of Child Development at the University of Minnesota, has studied risk and resilience in development for many years, including studies of children in homeless families, refugees, and other highly mobile populations. Her work has been widely disseminated nationally and internationally among scientists, policymakers, and practitioners. In recent years, Dr. Masten has served as director of the Institute of Child Development at Minnesota, president of Division 7 (Developmental) of the American Psychological Association, and a member of the Governing Council of the Society for Research in Child Development.

**Lorraine McMullin** coordinates the Mental Health Association in New York State's (MHANYS) Parents with Psychiatric Disabilities Initiative promoting cross-systems collaborations, peer linkages, provider training, and dissemination of research and evidence-based practices. She provides research and evaluation services to government and nonprofit agencies through McMullin Consulting Services. Lorraine was Policy Research Associates' project coordinator for the Center for Mental Health Services (CMHS) and the Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT) Homeless Families Program multisite evaluation of homeless services for mothers with psychiatric and/or substance abuse issues. As part of her responsibilities, she facilitated the work of the Homeless Families Program's Consumer Panel. Lorraine worked for the CMHS GAINS TAPA Center where she developed training curriculum, a multimedia consumer exhibit, and coordinated a network of peer specialists involved in 32 jail diversion programs for adults with mental health and substance abuse issues. This year she is the coauthor of three articles: *Consumer Integration and Self-Determination in Homelessness Research, Policy, Planning, and Services*; *Establishing Consumer Integration in the Evaluation of the SAMHSA Homeless Families Program*; and *Continuing Trauma in the Lives of Homeless Mothers*. Lorraine has been a consumer of mental health, trauma, and homeless services.

**Stephen Metraux** is an assistant professor in the Department of Health Policy and Public Health at the University of the Sciences in Philadelphia. Dr. Metraux is also affiliated with Penn's Center for Mental Health Policy and Services Research. His research interests center around urban health, especially in the context of issues such as homelessness and housing, community mental health, and incarceration and prisoner reentry. His current research includes examining services use patterns by person diagnosed with mental illness following release from prison, using administrative data for evaluation of homeless services, and assessing residential segregation among persons with mental illness.

**Norweeta G. Milburn** is an associate research psychologist at UCLA's Center for Community Health. Prior to coming to UCLA, Dr. Milburn was an associate professor of psychology at Hofstra University and assistant director of the PsyD Program in School/Community Psychology. Her research interests include substance abuse and homelessness, and mental health among African Americans. She has been a principal investigator of National Institute on Drug Abuse research on homeless adults and a co-principal investigator of U.S. Department of Education research on coping and adaptation in older African Americans, and was a co-principal investigator of a NIMH investigation of anxiety and depression in older African Americans. As a principal investigator of NIMH studies of homeless youth, she has examined paths into and out of homelessness and risk for HIV among homeless youth. Dr.



Milburn is implementing a behavioral intervention for homeless adolescents at risk for HIV and their families.

**Alma Molino** is a PhD candidate in clinical psychology at Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science, where her current research interests are risk and resilience in underserved adolescent populations. She has worked and volunteered with the National Runaway Switchboard since 2002. Other recent qualitative and quantitative research efforts include studies of sexual risk-taking and substance use among homeless African-American young adults and research on risk and health behaviors in relation to adolescent relationship skills.

**Steven Nelson** has served as director of employment services at the Pima County Jackson Employment Center for over 16 years. He has served four terms as chair of the Tucson Planning Council for the Homeless, the lead entity for the City of Tucson/Pima County continuum of care planning process. He developed an employment services model of collaborative networks working with HUD Supportive Housing Programs to provide both housing and employment services to homeless men, women, families, and youth in Pima County. This model prompted the HUD Supportive Housing Program “La Casita” that provides young adults with employment assistance, vocational training, and transitional housing assistance to fill the gap in services to youth. La Casita was awarded a HUD National Best Practice Award in August 2000. Mr. Nelson has played a lead role in developing collaborative networks within the Tucson Planning Council for the Homeless and in providing employment services to homeless populations within the One-Stop Career Center in Pima County.

**Sandra J. Newman** is professor of policy studies and director of the Institute for Policy Studies at Johns Hopkins University. She also holds joint appointments in the department of sociology and the department of health policy and management, the latter at the Bloomberg School of Public Health of Johns Hopkins. Dr. Newman was a Fulbright senior fellow at the Australian National University and a visiting scholar in the research office of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, for which she received a distinguished service award. Her research is interdisciplinary and focuses on the intersection of housing, employment, welfare and health. Her current research focuses on the effects of housing on the life outcomes of children and families. Her recent Baltimore research focused on the low end rental market and on abandoned properties. She is on the editorial board of the *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management* and *Housing Studies*, and is an associate editor of *Housing Policy Debate*.

**Rebecca F. Noftsinger** is a research associate at Westat with 25 years of experience in health care research and management. At Westat, she recently managed a SAMHSA project on rural homelessness. As part of that project, Westat convened an expert panel meeting of a representative group of homeless service providers, researchers and government officials. Ms. Noftsinger has extensive experience as the executive director of rural nonprofit free clinics serving uninsured low-income populations, including homeless persons. In this capacity, and as president of the Virginia Association of Free Clinics, she was responsible for advocacy; improving service delivery; and working with local, state, regional, and national organizations concerned with medically underserved populations and people who are homeless.

**Ann O'Hara** is co-founder and associate director of the Technical Assistance Collaborative, Inc., in Boston. Ms. O'Hara is a national expert on policies and practices to expand affordable housing opportunities for people with disabilities and in implementing supportive housing approaches for people who are homeless or at-risk of homelessness. She has over 25 years experience in the development and administration of the full range of subsidized rental and homeownership programs funded at the national, state, and local level. Ms. O'Hara provides consultation to the Washington, DC-based Consortium for Citizens with Disabilities Housing Task Force and has provided congressional testimony on their behalf on numerous occasions. She is also the author of many articles, monographs and studies related to expanding affordable and supportive housing opportunities for persons with disabilities.

**Karen Olson** is the founder and president of Family Promise, formerly National Interfaith Hospitality Network. She began the organization in 1986 in her home state of New Jersey, and it has expanded to 39 states and now involves more than 110,000 volunteers and 4,500 congregations of all religious faiths. It is recognized nationally for its innovative and effective work in mobilizing volunteers. Family Promise's core program is the Interfaith Hospitality Network, which provides shelter, meals and comprehensive services to homeless families. The goal of the program is to help families regain their independence, and approximately 80 percent of guests secure permanent or transitional housing. Under Karen's leadership, Family Promise has expanded its mission to include a family mentoring program, along with initiatives to address the underlying causes of homelessness.

**Greg Owen** is a consulting scientist at Wilder Research in St. Paul, Minnesota, with more than 30 years experience in applied social research. Dr. Owen has led a wide range of research projects including studies of welfare reform, economic self-sufficiency, and homelessness. His work on homelessness dates to 1984 when he led the first area effort to describe the homeless population in St. Paul. Since that time he has directed six statewide surveys of homeless adults and children and currently provides data to support the statewide plan for ending long-term homelessness. Dr. Owen participated in the 1998 National Symposium on Homelessness Research. Greg gives numerous presentations on homelessness each year, recently speaking at 2006 convention Homes for All!, the National Association for the Education of Homeless Children and Youth, and the Minnesota Supportive Housing Conference. Greg serves as an adjunct professor in the Health and Human Services graduate program at St. Mary's University.

**Wayne D. Parker** is a licensed psychologist as well as a certified teacher and certified counselor. In addition to teaching at the college level, he has taught at the secondary level in Austria, Mexico, and Venezuela. Dr. Parker was a senior researcher at Johns Hopkins University where he researched the personality and adjustment of gifted individuals as well as evaluating educational programs. He has been awarded the Mensa International Award for Excellence in research three times. Since 2000 he has been the director of Research and Evaluation for the Piper Trust, where he is responsible for evaluating the effectiveness of programs funded by the Trust.

**Paige Perry** has been working with people who are homeless, mentally ill, alcohol and drug impaired and people who are developmentally disabled for more than 16 years. She began her career as an advocate

for and subsequently as program manager for the Homes for Community Living, a nonprofit organization that pioneered the concept of providing the first permanent Intensive Tenant Support Housing in the de-institutionalization movement in Washington State. In 1997, Ms. Perry became program director for Old Town Clinic, located in downtown Portland, OR. In the late nineties, Old Town Clinic became a Federally Qualified Health Center. Working closely with the Medical Director, staff, and the community, Ms. Perry expanded services ensuring the needs of the uninsured and under insured were met. Ms. Perry continues to help in shaping the evolution of the primary health care and integrated continuum of care services for the expanding homeless and addiction impaired populations in Oregon. Ms. Perry now works with the Internal Medicine Practice with Oregon Health Sciences University, where she continues to be a strong advocate for ending homelessness.

**Barbara Poppe** has more than 20 years of nonprofit experience in homelessness and housing related organizations. She currently serves as executive director the Community Shelter Board (CSB), a nationally recognized nonprofit organization charged with funding, planning and coordinating prevention, shelter, and housing to end homelessness in Columbus and Franklin County, Ohio. Barbara provides visible leadership in achieving community wide homeless services and prevention objectives. She is responsible for strategic planning and collaborative efforts, private sector fundraising and resource development, effective governmental systems, and private sector relationships. CSB received the 2002 Non Profit Sector Achievement Award from the National Alliance to End Homelessness and, in 2004, Ms. Poppe received the Buddy Gray Award for homeless activism from the National Coalition for the Homeless. From June 1990 to October 1995, Barbara was the executive director of Friends of the Homeless, Inc. She has published and presented on various topics related to homelessness and is a frequent national and statewide speaker.

**Fran Randolph**, director of the Division of Services and Systems Improvement in the Center for Mental Health Services, SAMHSA, oversees the Community Support Programs Branch, the Children, Adolescence and Families Branch, and the Homeless Programs Branch. Specific areas of responsibility include directing the Mental Health Transformation State Incentive Grant Program, overseeing the implementation of a national plan for behavioral health workforce development, and facilitating the development of a federal strategy to address trauma. Prior to becoming the division director, Dr. Randolph was the chief of the Homeless Programs Branch where she was responsible for managing the ACCESS Program, a multisite, systems change initiative on homelessness. Dr. Randolph has also worked at the National Association for State Mental Health Program Directors, the Center for Psychiatric Rehabilitation at Boston University, and Hawaii's Department of Mental Health. Her research on housing and residential service needs for persons with mental illnesses, community-based service needs of elderly persons with mental illness, and outcome measures in services research has resulted in numerous reports and publications.

**Jerry Regier** is the principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation (ASPE) in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, and functions with all the operational authority of the Assistant Secretary. He provides leadership to policy analysis and policy development and evaluation research for Secretary Leavitt. He was appointed by the Secretary as a member of the Medicaid Commission in 2006. Mr. Regier previously served as Secretary of the Florida Department of Children &

Families, where he oversaw a department of over 25,000 with a budget of \$4 billion. In 2001 he was named the Administrator of the Year in Oklahoma by the American Society of Public Administration (Oklahoma Chapter). He previously served as acting administrator of the National Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention in the U.S. Department of Justice. Prior to that position, he served in the first Bush Administration as acting director of the Bureau of Justice Assistance for three years.

**Lawrence Rickards** is the chief of the Homeless Programs Branch, Center for Mental Health Services, in the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Dr. Rickards has more than forty years of experience in health and primary care, mental health and co-occurring disorders, child and adult services, policy and legislative affairs, and government service. His primary experience has been with older adults and with individuals experiencing homelessness and co-occurring mental and substance use disorders. He joined SAMHSA in 1992, and was previously the assistant director of the National Association of Area Agencies on Aging and legislative affairs officer in the Public Interest Directorate of the American Psychological Association.

**John Rio** is a senior program associate at Advocates for Human Potential and Co-Director of the Chronic Homelessness Employment Technical Assistance Center supported by the U.S. Department of Labor. With over 30 years of experience in rehabilitation and recovery services, supportive housing, and homeless assistance services, his work has focused on developing and delivering materials, strategies, training, and technical assistance to help increase the capacity of supportive housing and service organizations to offer employment services to formerly homeless people with disabilities and assist supportive housing and service providers on innovative programming. He has managed two special project grants to link the supportive housing industry and the vocational rehabilitation system in New York City and a career advancement initiative for homeless individuals in Chicago. Before joining AHP, he was a senior staff member of the Corporation for Supportive Housing where he directed national employment initiatives and worked on public policies related to employment and supportive services for homeless people with co-occurring mental health and substance use disabilities.

**Barbara Ritter** is a quality improvement and measurement specialist with over 25 years experience as a consultant and staff person in mental health, domestic violence, education, substance abuse, and homeless services environments. As the City of Spokane's Human Services Department program evaluator, Ms. Ritter has participated in the planning, development and operation of Spokane's eight-year-old "Best Practice" locally developed HMIS system. She is currently implementing Michigan's Statewide Outcomes Project involving over 300 diverse agencies participating with a single HMIS. The Outcomes Project is designed to identify appropriate outcomes and other measures for different kinds of programs and populations, identify knowledge-based performance targets, share best practices or strategies that result in improved care, and document contextual variables that impact performance. Quality programs designed by Ms. Ritter have won three commendations from the Joint Hospital Accreditation Board and, most recently, received the Board's Recognition for Innovation award.

**Marjorie Robertson** is a senior scientist with the Alcohol Research Group in the San Francisco Bay area. She is a research psychologist with a specialization in psychiatric epidemiology. Since 1983,

her research has focused primarily on homeless and other indigent populations, explored primarily through population-based surveys and studies of clients in public systems. Dr. Robertson's recent work includes a study to assess the course of homelessness among adults with alcohol, drug, or mental disorders and to test whether service use affects that course. She has also surveyed homeless "street" youth in San Francisco to identify barriers to services for this high-risk population. Dr. Robertson has recently studied the impact of a specialized residential treatment program on outcomes for dually diagnosed adults who had recently been discharged from a public inpatient psychiatric facility. Currently, her research addresses the epidemiology of HIV and tuberculosis, access to services, and treatment adherence among homeless and marginally housed adults in San Francisco. In a separate project, she is exploring the epidemiology of hepatitis B and C among homeless adults and strategies for viral screening and intervention with this high-risk population.

**Debra Rog** is an associate director and vice president of the Westat's Rockville Institute in Rockville, Maryland. She has more than 25 years experience in research and evaluation. Before joining the Westat staff in January 2007, Dr. Rog was director of the Washington office of Vanderbilt University's Center for Evaluation and Program Improvement, where she managed several multisite research and evaluation projects in the areas of poverty, homelessness, education, housing for vulnerable populations, mental health, and applied research methodology. Dr. Rog has provided project management and subject matter expertise for research funded by clients such as the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, CMHS, NIMH, SAMSHA, the National Mental Health Association, and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, among others. Between 1987 and 1989, she was associate director of the Office of Programs for the Homeless Mentally Ill, NIMH. She has published and presented widely on mental health treatment issues, program evaluation, and methodological topics and is a recognized expert in evaluation methodology, homelessness, and mental health. She is an editor for numerous books, series, and journals and is active in several professional associations.

**Gerry Roll** is the executive director of Hazard Perry County Community Ministries, Inc. (HPCCM), a nonprofit community development organization with a mission to lead the community in meeting basic human needs in rural eastern Kentucky. Under her direction, Community Ministries has opened three new child care centers, including after-school programs; a transitional housing program; a crisis intervention program and a family support center for families at risk of becoming homeless. In addition, HPCCM has led the City of Hazard in the creation of a state recognized Community Housing Development Organization serving the people of Perry County with good affordable housing and mortgage options. Most recently, HPCCM has undertaken a community-wide effort to provide health care to the most vulnerable population, rural homeless, uninsured and underinsured people in the rugged mountain communities of Appalachian Kentucky. Gerry is a 2002 recipient of the Ford Foundation's Leadership for a Changing World award.

**Caterina Roman** is a senior research associate in the Justice Policy Center at the Urban Institute where she has worked for the past 15 years. Dr. Roman's research interests include policy and programming related to prisoner reentry; the role of community organizations and institutions in crime prevention and neighborhood well being; the effectiveness of community justice partnerships; and the spatial and temporal relationship between neighborhood characteristics and violence. She is currently

involved in a number of projects evaluating housing models that support the community reintegration of returning prisoners. Her work on prisoner reentry has been published in the journals *Criminology and Public Policy*, *Justice Research and Policy*, and *Housing Policy Debate*. In addition, she recently authored two books, *Schools, Neighborhoods, and Violence: Crime within the Daily Routines of Youth* (2004) and *Illicit Drug Policies, Trafficking, and Use the World Over* (2005).

**Nan Roman**, president and CEO of the National Alliance to End Homelessness, is a leading national voice on the issue of homelessness. The Alliance is a public education, advocacy, and capacity-building organization with a network of over 5,000 nonprofit and public sector agencies and corporate partners around the country. Under her leadership, the Alliance has developed a pragmatic plan to end homelessness within ten years. To implement this plan, Ms. Roman works closely with members of Congress and the Administration, as well as with cities and states across the nation. She collaborates with Alliance partners to educate the public about the real nature of homelessness and successful solutions. She has researched and written on the issue, is frequently interviewed by the press, and regularly speaks at events around the country. Her unique perspective on homelessness and its solutions comes from over twenty years of local and national experience in the areas of poverty and community-based organizations.

**Jeremy Rosen** is the director for Homelessness and Mental Health at the national headquarters of Volunteers of America. Previously, Mr. Rosen served as a staff attorney with the National Law Center on Homelessness & Poverty, and co-directed the Homeless Legal Assistance Project at Legal Services of Greater Miami. At Volunteers of America, Mr. Rosen is responsible for federal public policy in the areas of homelessness, housing, mental health, and substance abuse. Mr. Rosen also manages Volunteers of America's homeless services network.

**Michael Rowe** is a medical sociologist in the Yale Department of Psychiatry. Dr. Rowe has studied and written about homelessness and mental illness, assertive mental health outreach to persons who are homeless and other innovative community-based interventions for persons with behavioral health disorders. He is the author of many articles and book chapters, three books, and is the lead editor of a forthcoming volume on classic texts in community psychiatry over the past fifty years.

**Ruth M. Samardick** is the Department of Labor's first director of Homeless Assistance Programs. She advises the Secretary of Labor and the Assistant Secretary for Veterans' Employment and Training Services on the employment of persons who are homeless. She also serves as the Department's senior policy liaison to the U.S. Interagency Council on Homelessness. Previously, she was the director of Programmatic Policy in DOL's Office of the Assistant Secretary for Policy.

**Marybeth (Beth) Shinn** is professor of applied psychology and public policy in the Steinhardt School of Culture, Education, and Human Development and the Wagner School of Public Service at New York University. Dr. Shinn studies how social contexts and social policies affect individual well-being. Much of her work concerns homelessness, including a longitudinal study of homeless and housed poor

families to understand the correlates of initial shelter entry and long-term stability, a study of causes of homelessness for older adults, evaluations of intervention programs for single individuals and for families, and an evaluation of New York's street count. She has written on prevention of homelessness and on what can be learned from international comparisons. She serves on research advisory panels for the NYC Department of Homeless Services, the National Alliance to End Homelessness, and the National Low Income Housing Coalition. She has served as president of the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues and the Society for Community Research and Action, and received the latter's award for Distinguished Contributions to Theory and Research.

**Brooke Spellman**, an associate with Abt, specializes in providing technical assistance to help communities plan and implement research-based strategies to effectively address homelessness. She has extensive experience in grants management, the continuum of care planning processes, and Homeless Management Information Systems (HMIS). Ms. Spellman is currently managing a federal research study on the costs of homelessness and is involved in two studies to evaluate the effectiveness of local homeless program strategies. She is also leading two technical assistance projects to help Indianapolis, IN, and Montgomery County, MD, implement plans to end homelessness. Performance measurement is a cross-cutting theme of her work, evident in recent federal and local efforts. Formerly the family support services director for the City of Chicago, Ms. Spellman was instrumental in the planning and writing of Chicago's plan to end homelessness, which sets ambitious goals for creating new permanent supportive housing units and transforming the existing shelter-based services into a housing first system. She has also been involved with other local government and nonprofit agencies working on community development issues.

**Henry J. Steadman** is the president of Policy Research Associates, Inc., which he founded in 1987. His work in mental health and criminal justice has resulted in eight books, over 130 journal articles in a wide range of professional journals, 20 chapters, and numerous reports. Dr. Steadman's current projects include: the National GAINS Center for Evidence-Based Practices in the Justice System; the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation Mental Health Court Study; National Institute of Justice Women's Brief Jail Mental Health Screen Study; SAMHSA's Technical Assistance and Policy Analysis Center for Jail Diversion; and NIMH Adult Mental Health-Criminal Justice Cross-Training Curriculum Development Project. He has received many awards, including the American Public Health Association's Carl A. Taube Award for Outstanding Contributions in Mental Health Services Research in 2005. Before founding PRA, Dr. Steadman directed a nationally known research bureau at the New York State Office of Mental Health for 17 years.

**Ezra Sykes** is director of policy and advocacy for the Massachusetts Housing and Shelter Alliance (MHSA), a public policy advocacy group with the singular mission of ending homelessness in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Through strategic partnerships formed with government, private philanthropy, service providers, homeless individuals, and business, MHSA works to ensure that homelessness does not become a permanent part of the social landscape. Ezra is an MPA candidate at Suffolk University in Boston and holds a bachelors degree in journalism.

**Paul Toro** is a professor of psychology at Wayne State University in Detroit where he also directs the University's Research Group on Homelessness and Poverty. As a community/clinical psychologist and an applied researcher who studies poverty and homelessness, Dr. Toro has conducted many studies on homeless adults, families, and adolescents. He has developed and evaluated community-based services for persons with mental illnesses and substance use disorders. Dr. Toro has an interest in prevention programs for children and families. His work has been supported by public and private grants, including one from the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism.

**Julia Tripp** is a consultant with Advocates for Human Potential (AHP), where she brings her understanding and special focus of how to engage and work with people who are chronically homeless and those struggling with mental illness and substance abuse. She is a creative, dynamic leader in the field of consumer-informed program development, and has impacted the way data is collected in the human service system by highlighting and defining the potential contributions of consumers to the development of the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS), an initiative of HUD. She developed the curriculum on Consumer Involvement in HMIS, and is an accomplished trainer and facilitator. She has served as moderator, presenter, and keynote speaker for numerous events. In addition to her work with AHP, Ms. Tripp serves as constituent coordinator for the Center for Social Policy in the John W. McCormack Graduate School of Policy Studies, University of Massachusetts (Boston) where she developed the foundation for her work involving consumers in HMIS and is involved in research related to homeless prevention.

**Sam Tsemberis** founded Pathways to Housing in 1992 and currently serves as the executive director. Pathways, an organization based on the belief that housing is a basic right for all people, developed the housing first approach that provides *immediate access* to permanent independent apartments to individuals who are homeless and who have psychiatric disabilities and substance use disorders. In October 2005, The American Psychiatric Association Institute on Psychiatric Services awarded Pathways to Housing its prestigious Gold Award in the area of community mental health. Dr. Tsemberis is on the faculty of the Department of Psychiatry of the New York University Medical Center and has served as principal investigator for several federally funded studies of homelessness, mental illness, and substance abuse. He is currently providing training and technical assistance to agencies across the country implementing the housing first model. In April 2006, the National Alliance to End Homelessness awarded Dr. Tsemberis its prestigious Macy Award for Individual Achievement in the battle to end homelessness.

**Tanya Tull**, president and CEO of Beyond Shelter, has spent 25 years developing innovative solutions to combat increasing poverty and homelessness among families with children, both in Los Angeles and nationwide. Dr. Tull founded Beyond Shelter in 1988 to address the need for a more comprehensive approach to serving increasing numbers of homeless families in Los Angeles. Beyond Shelter develops service-enriched, affordable housing in inner-city neighborhoods and is credited with developing and promoting housing first for families experiencing homelessness. Since 1988, her work has focused on the development of new methodologies to promote systemic change. Dr. Tull is a member of the Board of Trustees of the National Housing Conference and serves on advisory committees of the National Alliance to End Homelessness, the National Low Income Housing Coalition, and the National Law Center on



Homelessness and Poverty. In Los Angeles, she chaired the Working Group that developed the Strategies to End Family Homelessness in L.A. County for the county's Ten Year Plan. Currently, she is an assistant research professor at the University of Southern California's School of Social Work.

**Marsha Werner** is the federal project officer for the Policy Academies on Homeless Families with Children. She also is the lead specialist for the Social Services Block Grant program at the Office of Community Services at the HHS Administration for Children and Families. She has extensive experience as a program and management specialist.

**Carol Wilkins** is the director of Intergovernmental Policy with the Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH) where she works to develop and support the implementation of policy solutions to end long-term homelessness for people who have complex health needs and multiple barriers to employment. She has more than 25 years of experience in public finance, human services and policy work, including work with the California Legislature's office of the Legislative Analyst, the State Assembly Ways and Means Committee, as deputy mayor of finance in San Francisco, and as finance director for the San Francisco Housing Authority. She manages CSH's national public policy and research activities, and works to increase the capacity of state and local governments and nonprofit agencies to create integrated systems to expand supportive housing opportunities for people with disabilities and those who are homeless.

**Darlene F. Williams** serves as HUD's Assistant Secretary for Policy Development and Research (PD&R). The Office of Policy Development and Research is responsible for the analysis, evaluation, collection, interpretation, and reporting of national housing, demographic and economic data used to develop complex, national housing and related economic development policies and programs affecting virtually every aspect of the U.S. economy. Dr. Williams is a principal advisor to the Secretary, regarding policy development, applied social science and economic research on housing policy as well as for evaluation and monitoring of the Department's programs. Prior to becoming Assistant Secretary, Dr. Williams served at HUD, first, as the General Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy Development and Research, from 2003 to 2005, and most recently as the General Deputy Assistant Secretary for Administration. Dr. Williams also has 23-years of experience in the private sector, including management positions with two Fortune 500 companies.

**James D. Wright** is an author, educator, and the Provost's Distinguished Research Professor in the Department of Sociology at the University of Central Florida. Dr. Wright also serves as the director of the UCF Institute for Social and Behavioral Sciences and as editor-in-chief of the journal *Social Science Research*. He has published 17 books and more than 250 journal articles, book chapters, essays, reviews, and polemics on topics ranging from poverty to homelessness to guns to NASCAR to survey and evaluation research methods. He also serves on the Board of Directors of the Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida and chairs the Board's Research and Evaluation Committee.