

SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

Shifting Challenges: Mental Health in the ACA Era

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TED LUTTERMAN, senior director of government and commercial research at the National Association of State Mental Health Program Directors Research Institute (NRI), has 30 years of experience working directly with all state mental health agencies in developing, compiling, analyzing and utilizing performance measures and data on mental health services, finances and outcomes. At NRI, he is responsible for producing information and reports that states and mental health providers can use to improve services to individuals with mental illnesses. He directs a number of Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration-funded data collection and analysis projects and has served on numerous federal advisory groups working on mental health financing and performance measurement.

JOHN O'BRIEN is the senior policy advisor for the Disabled and Elderly Health Programs Group at the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. Previously, he was senior advisor to the administrator on health care reform at the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). Mr. O'Brien was the director of several national projects funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation to develop strategies for coordinating funding for human services from federal, state and local dollars. Prior to his work at SAMHSA, Mr. O'Brien worked with the Technical Assistance Collaborative for fifteen years as a senior consultant. He has provided consultation to over 30 states and local human services authorities. He has worked with Medicaid, state mental health and substance abuse authorities. He has worked with states to develop federal Medicaid waivers, Medicaid state plan amendments, and federal grant applications (e.g., children's system of care). Mr. O'Brien has also been a manager at KPMG Peat Marwick, and worked for the Eunice Kennedy Shriver Center, the Massachusetts Developmental Disability Council, the Illinois Governor's Office, and the Illinois Legislative Commission on Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse. He was a program staff at Thresholds, Inc. in Chicago.

LINDA ROSENBERG, president and CEO of the National Council for Behavioral Health, is a certified social worker, family therapist, and psychiatric rehabilitation practitioner with more than 30 years of experience in the development, design and delivery of mental health policy and services. Under Ms. Rosenberg's leadership, the National Council for Behavioral Health has more than doubled its membership, growing to over 2,000 organizations strong. She helped to secure the passage of the federal mental health and addiction parity law; played a critical role in ensuring that the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act addressed the needs of individuals with behavioral health disorders and expanded financing for integrated behavioral health and primary care services; and built an expansive array of organizational, clinical and workforce development initiatives. She introduced Mental Health First Aid in the United States and, to date, has led the National Council in training nearly 100,000 citizens in this groundbreaking public education program. Prior to joining the National Council, Ms. Rosenberg served as senior deputy commissioner of the New York State Office of Mental Health and ran New York's adult and child psychiatric hospitals; tripled New York's assertive community treatment capacity; expanded children's community based services; developed an extensive array of housing options for people with mental illnesses and addictions; implemented a network of jail diversion

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programs, including New York's first mental health court; and promoted the adoption of evidence-based practices and consumer and family programs.

KARL WILSON is a clinical psychologist (University of Florida, 1976) who was trained in and identifies himself as a community psychologist. He was the first president and CEO of Crider Health Center, which he led for 33 years, retiring in 2012. This safety net community health and mental health center serves the Missouri counties of Lincoln, Warren, Franklin and St. Charles, with a staff of more than 425 people, and an annual budget of more than \$32 million. He has taught at Washington University in St. Louis for 37 years, first in psychology and then in social work, where he teaches mental health policy. He has served as chair of the boards of directors of the Missouri Coalition of Community Mental Health Centers, Mental Health Association of Greater St. Louis (now Mental Health America of Eastern Missouri), Missouri Foundation for Health and Behavioral Health Response. He served on the national board of Mental Health America and on the founding board of Missouri Health Connection, the state's health information exchange. He is the proud recipient of a number of professional, advocacy and community awards.