

## 2019 Colorado Opioid Safety Summit Speaker Bios



**R. Corey Waller MD, MS, FACEP, principal consultant, Health Management Associates, and the chair of the Legislative Advocacy Committee for the American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM)**

In his roles, Dr. Waller is directly responsible for consultation regarding addiction treatment ecosystem development and education as well as all Washington, D.C. related matters for ASAM.

In his immediate past role as senior medical director for education and policy at the National Center for Complex Health and Social Needs, Dr. Waller was responsible for developing and maintaining all training and in person technical assistance delivered by the National Center. This covered addiction, pain and behavioral health treatment system development, payment model implementation and healthcare policy.

Before joining the National Center, he worked for the Spectrum Health System in Grand Rapids, Michigan, which is a fully integrated health system with 12 hospitals and over 1000 employed physicians. He was the medical director of the Spectrum Health Medical Group Center for Integrative Medicine, the medical staff chief of pain medicine to the Spectrum Health Hospital System, the president of the Michigan Society of Addiction Medicine, as well as substance use disorder medical director at Lakeshore Regional Partners (Community Mental Health-Region 3). He has also worked extensively with local, state and Federal law enforcement on the issues of controlled substance diversion and interdiction.



**Cristen Bates, MPH, director of strategy, communications, and policy, Office of Behavioral Health**

Ms. Bates is responsible for setting strategy for the state office, responding to legislative requests and interpreting regulation, internal and external communications, and grants acquisition and management. Ms. Bates is a dedicated public health executive with 15 years of experience serving the community with expertise in stakeholder engagement, maternal and child health, senior services, healthcare quality, information technology and communications. Ms. Bates moved to Colorado in 2015 after 8 years working on national public health campaigns and community health in Washington D.C. She spent 27 months from 2005-2007 in Niger, West Africa as a Peace Corps Volunteer and also worked as a crisis case manager for a community mental health center in Lawrence, KS. She holds a Master's degree in Public Health and a Graduate Certificate in Health IT from George Washington University and a Bachelor's in Psychology from the University of Kansas.



**Joshua Ewing, associate vice president of legislative affairs, Colorado Hospital Association**

Joshua is a health policy professional with over 10 years' experience in research, policy analysis, regulatory and legislative affairs. He is currently the associate vice president of legislative affairs for Colorado Hospital Association. In this role he serves as liaison to the Colorado General Assembly, state regulatory agencies and the broader health care community for Colorado's 100+ hospitals and health systems. Joshua is responsible for advancing policy objectives that strengthen Colorado hospitals and improve the health care system in Colorado. He led the Association's legislative lobbying efforts

beginning with the 2018 legislative session.

Prior to joining the Association, Joshua worked as a health policy specialist with the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) serving the legislators and staffs of the nation's 50 states, its commonwealths and territories. He was responsible for facilitating and speaking at national policy meetings, conducting timely research, producing publications and responding legislative and media requests. Joshua also served as the organization's liaison to the Missouri General Assembly.

Originally from the "Show-Me State," Joshua holds a Bachelor's degree in social work from Missouri State University. He now lives in the Washington Park neighborhood of Denver and enjoys hiking, snowboarding and traveling with his wife Molly, son Jack, and their dog Henry.



**Brent Van Dorsten, PhD, president, Colorado Center for Behavioral Medicine; president, Colorado Pain Society**

Dr. Brent Van Dorsten is a licensed clinical psychologist who specializes in health and pain psychology and behavioral medicine assessment and treatment at the Colorado Center for Behavioral Medicine. At the CCBM, Dr. Van Dorsten provides cognitive-behavioral assessments and treatments to a diverse patient population referred by physician specialists in anesthesiology pain medicine, physical medicine and rehabilitation, orthopedic spine, primary care, surgery, and occupational medicine among others. This clinical service includes assessment, psychological and neuropsychological testing, and CBT

treatment for pain and functional limitations, physical injury and delayed recovery in worker's compensation, assisting physicians in the management of patients on long-term opioids, mild traumatic brain injury, and pre-surgical behavioral assessments for patients considered for spine surgeries and implantable spinal cord stimulation.

Prior to opening the Colorado Center for Behavioral Medicine in 2012, Dr. Van Dorsten was an associate professor at the University of Colorado School of Medicine in the departments of physical medicine and rehabilitation, orthopedics spine center, and anesthesiology pain medicine for over 23 years. Dr. Van Dorsten is the current president of the Colorado Pain Society. Dr. Van Dorsten was the founder and director of the Behavioral Medicine Fellowship Program in Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation and Anesthesiology Pain and is a former co-director of the Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy/Complex Regional Pain Syndrome Program.



**Don Stader, MD, FACEP, emergency physician, Swedish Medical Center**

Dr. Stader holds a medical degree with honors from Baylor College of Medicine, where he was an Albert Schweitzer Fellow and attended emergency medicine residency at Carolinas Medical Center. He serves on the Colorado ACEP Board of Directors and is the former president of the Emergency Medicine Resident's Association (EMRA).

Don is an expert on opioid abuse, policy and clinical approaches to decrease opioid usage, managing pain and treating addiction from the ED.

He chairs Colorado ACEP's Opioid Task Force, serves on Colorado Medical Society's Prescription Drug Abuse Task Force, is an opioid expert consultant for Colorado Hospital Association and is the editor-in-chief of their 2017 Opioid Prescribing & Treatment Guidelines.

In addition to medicine, he cofounded and works as a film producer for Triage Films LLC and was the creative force behind the Emmy winning documentary '24|7|365 - The Evolution of Emergency Medicine.' He is the founder and chair of two non-profit organizations, The Emergency Medical Minute which provides free online emergency medical education & The Last Words Project, which allows individuals with terminal conditions or dangerous vocations to speak their last words on their terms through recording posthumous messages for their loved ones. He lives with his wife Andi and daughter Josiphine in Morrison, Colorado.



**Darlene Tad-y, MD, associate professor and academic hospitalist, University of Colorado School of Medicine**

Dr. Tad-y received her MD from St. George's University and completed her residency and fellowship at Lutheran Medical Center and Johns Hopkins respectively. Darlene has built quality and safety educational programs for students, residents and faculty for health professionals across disciplines and is excited to apply her expertise to further the work being done by the Quality and Patient Safety department at CHA.



**Blair Hubbard, MS, LPCC, licensed professional counselor candidate and behavioral health specialist, CeDAR**

Blair has worked in the psychology field for nearly 6 years, in a variety of areas including methadone clinics, crisis prevention centers and clinical research related to injection drug use. She has devoted herself to raising community awareness of the realities and dangers of the opioid epidemic. Blair has been featured in local and national media, where she shared her personal experiences, and was highlighted in 'Lift the Label', a national campaign aimed at decreasing stigma associated with opioid addiction and treatment. She is also a front-line spokesperson and has collaborated with state legislators for increased funding for addiction treatment services. Blair hopes to continue her work as an ambassador and voice for those who seek help in overcoming their struggles with addiction.



**Osvaldo Cabral, MA, LCA, LAP, director of integrated services, New Health Services**

Osvaldo "Ozzie" Cabral has worked in addiction and mental health since 2002. His areas of expertise include addiction treatment, dialectical behavior therapy, skills training, schema-focused therapy, working with the chronically mentally ill and treating dually diagnosed clients. Additional areas of specialization include aggression replacement training, cognitive behavioral therapy, pain treatment and trauma-focused therapies. As director of integrated services, he coordinates the operations of New Health's medical and behavioral health professionals to ensure continuity of care for New Health patients. Ozzie also co-founded and operates Song of the Wolf Healing Center which is a wolf and wolf-dog rescue in Bailey, Colorado.



**Scott Kindel, Director of Operations, The Foundry Treatment Center**

Before finding personal recovery from opiates, Scott had a prominent career in advertising and was an accomplished studio musician and artist. Through a combination of opportunity, hard work and counseling, Scott managed to completely reclaim his life from the wreckage of addiction. In the span of 7 years, he has gone from losing everything to starting a family, owning a home and finding the happiness in life that he never thought possible.

Scott Kindel is the director of operations for the Foundry Treatment Center in Steamboat Springs, Colorado. Prior to his work with Foundry, Scott held management positions at numerous residential and outpatient treatment programs across Colorado. Scott brings a breadth of personal recovery experience to his position combined with experience in case management, intervention, business development, intake counseling and operations.



**Jonathan Green, MA, LPCC, SBIRT health counselor, St. Anthony North Health Campus**

Jonathan is a SBIRT health counselor for Saint Anthony North in their emergency departments facilitating the procedures for the ED MAT Pilot Program. Prior to working at SAN, Jonathan lived in Florida providing counseling services at outpatient, intensive outpatient facilities and facilitated groups for drug court. Jonathan is a veteran, having served from 2008 to 2012 in the U.S. Army as an Airborne Infantryman. After serving in the military, Jonathan completed his

Bachelor's degree in Psychology and his master's degree in Marriage, Couple and Family Therapy at the University of Central Florida.

Jonathan has enjoyed serving his nation, fellow veterans and the community. His mission is to continue equipping others with the tools necessary to improve their quality of life.

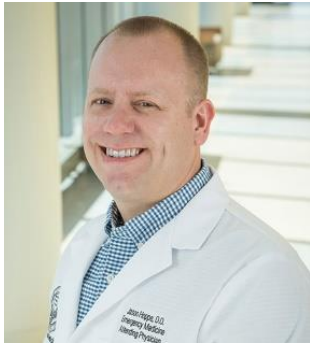


**Amber Quartier, BA, CPS II, administrative coordinator, St. Anthony North Health Campus**

Amber's experience from over a decade of public health program administration and direct service has resulted in her passion to fulfill her mission of inspiring others to live a healthy and gratifying life. After graduating from University of Northern Iowa for Family Services Amber served in roles including; crisis counselor, coalition advisor, case manager, prevention specialist and ultimately her current position as the Centura Health program coordinator with the ED MAT

Pilot Program at St Anthony North.

Prior to her involvement with the pilot program, Amber championed for and implemented, in a Centura health trauma services department, the evidence-based program SBIRT (screening, brief intervention, referral to treatment). Amber feels SBIRT should be practiced as part of standard care in the medical field and sees it as being an integral component with the ED MAT Pilot Program. Amber also contributes the program's ongoing progress with the development of workflow in the ED, establishing effective communication practices, and building relationships with community partners.



**Jason Hoppe, DO, Associate Professor in the Department of Emergency Medicine, University of Colorado School of Medicine**

He is also a consultant in medical toxicology at Denver Health, Children's Hospital Colorado and the Rocky Mountain Poison and Drug Center. His clinical work, research, and public health efforts are aimed at addressing the complicated decision-making process regarding the safety of opioids and effectively treating pain. In addition, he recently designed and started a program to initiate buprenorphine treatment in the Emergency Department with a warm hand-off to community partners. He is a national expert in prescription opioid safety, prescription drug monitoring programs (PDMP), and provider decision-making. He is a founding member of the Colorado Consortium for Prescription Drug Abuse Prevention and has assisted with multiple public health efforts, education programs and successful legislative changes in Colorado regarding opioid prescribing.



**Angela Khoshnoud, AM, LCSW, Manager, Social Work Services/ Emergency Department Care Management & Inpatient Care Coordination, University of Colorado Hospital**

Angela Khoshnoud is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker in Colorado. She obtained her bachelor's degree in Psychology from the University of Michigan – Ann Arbor and her master's degree in Clinical Social Work from the University of Chicago.

Angela is the Manager of Emergency Department Care Management & Inpatient Care Coordination at the University of Colorado Hospital. She moved to Denver to join UCH in April 2017 after working for several years in Chicago. She has a diverse clinical background, with experience working in human trafficking prevention & rehabilitation abroad, refugee resettlement, psychiatric rehabilitation, community mental health, managed care, and hospital settings.

In her current role, Angela oversees a team of Licensed Clinical Social Workers, RN Care Managers, Behavioral Health Counselors, and Patient Navigators in the Emergency Department in addition to a team of Care Coordinators in the inpatient setting. Angela has helped to develop processes to ensure safe discharges from the ED to the least restrictive setting, appropriate admissions to the hospital, and better transitions of care. Angela has been heavily involved in leading the ED Suboxone program from a social work perspective.