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“Creating Age-Friendly Health Systems”

SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

Neil Charness, PhD

Neil Charness is William G. Chase Professor of Psychology and Director of the Institute for Successful Longevity at Florida State University. He received his BA from McGill University (1969) and MSc and PhD from Carnegie Mellon University (1971, 1974) in Psychology. Neil’s research focuses on human factors approaches to age and technology use. He has held grants from the Natural Science and Engineering Council of Canada, the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, the Retirement Research Foundation, the National Science Foundation, and the National Institute on Aging. He has published over 200 journal articles, book chapters, proceedings papers, and technical reports, and also co-authored books on Designing Telehealth for an Aging Population: A Human Factors Perspective, and Designing for older adults: Principles and creative human factors approaches (3rd Edition). He is a Fellow of the American Psychological Association, the Association for Psychological Science, and the Gerontological Society of America. He received the Jack A. Kraft Innovator award, the Franklin V. Taylor Award, the M. Powell Lawton award, the APA Prize for Interdisciplinary Team Research, Grandmaster of the International Society for Gerontechnology, and APA’s Committee on Aging award for the Advancement of Psychology and Aging.

Susan Corbett

Susan Corbett is a preeminent authority and advocate for digital equity and digital inclusion and works closely with economic development and rural organizations to promote broadband adoption. In 2017, she launched the National Digital Equity Center, a program of the Axiom Education & Training Center, (AETC) collaborating with local and global change makers, relentlessly driving disruptive strategies to close the digital divide in Maine and across the United States. Ms. Corbett is the Director of the National Digital Equity Center and a consultant AETC, a non-profit corporation, with a mission dedicated to furthering the life-long educational and professional development of residents and businesses in Washington County and Maine.
Jennifer Crittenden, PhD, MSW

Jennifer Crittenden is an assistant professor in the UMaine School of Social Work as well as the Associate Director of the University of Maine Center on Aging. Dr. Crittenden has over fifteen years of experience in professional and community education, program evaluation and program planning. Her experience in healthcare research and evaluation includes a variety of initiatives aimed at prevention and quality improvement across the care spectrum. Dr. Crittenden is currently the evaluation co-lead for the AgingME Geriatrics Workforce Enhancement Program. She has also spearheaded a primary care elder abuse screening project, served as a consultant for an educational initiative focused on care transitions, and has served as a lead evaluator for two oral health initiatives implemented within primary care and long-term care settings.

Ellen Flaherty, PhD, APRN, AGSF

Dr. Flaherty is the Director of the Dartmouth Centers for Health & Aging and is the Board Chair of the American Geriatrics Society (AGS). Dr. Flaherty also Co-Directs the Dartmouth HRSA funded Geriatric Workforce Enhancement Program (GWEP) and is a Co-Principal Investigator of the AGS National Geriatric Workforce Enhancement Coordinating Center funded by the John A. Harford Foundation and has been funded by the John A. Hartford Foundation to further develop, test and spread the GITT-PC (Geriatric Interprofessional Team Transformation in Primary Care) model.

Shirley A. Frederick, MD

Shirley Frederick is a Family Physician currently practicing at Southern Maine Health Family and Internal Medicine practice in Sanford, Maine. Residing in Maine since graduating from University of Connecticut School of Medicine, she attended Residency at EMMC in Bangor, Maine and then settled into practice in the Southern Seacoast. Dr. Fredericks passions include Care of the older adult being first involved in a Dementia pilot and most recently in work with UNE and University of Maine to develop an Age Friendly Primary Care practice. Her other passions are international mission work having done work in Haiti, Honduras, Guatemala and Ghana. She is married to Todd Frederick and the two of them live in Southern Maine with their 3 children.

Terry Fulmer, PhD, RN, FAAN

Terry Fulmer is President of the John A Hartford Foundation, an organization dedicated to improving the care of older adults. Established in 1929, the Foundation has a current endowment of over $560 million and is world-renowned for philanthropy devoted exclusively to the health of older adults. She serves as the chief strategist for Foundation giving and is also the chief spokesperson for advancing the Foundation’s mission. Dr. Fulmer is nationally and internationally recognized as a leading expert in geriatrics and is best known for conceptualization and development of the national NICHE program and research on the topic of elder abuse and neglect, work that has been funded by the National Institute on Aging and the National Institute of Nursing Research. Her recent effort with the Age-Friendly Health Systems initiative in partnership with IHI is a potential game changer for how we think about care for older adults.
Robyn Golden, MA, LCSW, ACSW

Robin Golden serves as the Associate Vice President of Population Health and Aging at Rush University Medical Center in Chicago. She is responsible for developing and overseeing health promotion and disease prevention, mental health, care coordination, and transitional care services for older adults, family caregivers, and people with chronic conditions. Ms. Golden is key to the development of interprofessional models of care for Rush’s population health programs. She is currently the Principal Investigator for the Geriatric Workforce Enhancement Program.

For over 30 years, Ms. Golden has been actively involved in developing initiatives and systems integration to improve health and well-being. She has served as the chair of American Society on Aging and recently served as a member of the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine’s committee studying the Integration of Social Needs Care into the Delivery of Health Care. Ms. Golden currently co-chairs the National Coalition on Care Coordination. She also is a fellow of both the Gerontological Society of America and the American Academy of Social Work and Social Welfare and is an NASW Social Work Pioneer.

Marilyn Rose Gugliucci, MA, PhD, AGHEF, GSAF, AGSF, MGSF

Marilyn R. Gugliucci, MA, PhD, is a Professor and the Director of Geriatrics Research at the University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine (UNECOM). She is also the Founding Director of U-ExCEL (UNE~Exercise and Conditioning for Easier Living) Fitness/Wellness Program for older adults. Her unique Learning by Living Research Projects offer two tracks: (1) The Nursing Home Immersion that "admits" medical students into nursing homes to live the life of an elder resident for 2-weeks; and (2) The 48 Hour Hospice Home Immersion that immerses pairs of medical students into an 18 bed inpatient acute care hospice home for 48 hours to conduct patient care, family support, and post-mortem care. She also conducts research on older adult falls prevention.

Dr. Gugliucci is a Fellow of four National Associations. She serves on national and state boards and committees, and was the former president for the Association for Gerontology in Higher Education. Although not a nurse, she was a mentor for the International Honor Society of Nurses/Hartford Foundation Geriatrics Nursing Leadership Academy. Dr. Gugliucci has been recognized with a number of state and national awards. She lectures both nationally and internationally and has multiple publications in the field of aging.

Carrie Henning-Smith, PhD, MPH, MSW

Carrie Henning-Smith is an Associate Professor in the Division of Health Policy and Management, University of Minnesota School of Public Health and Deputy Director of the University of Minnesota Rural Health Research Center. Her research focuses on health equity, with a particular emphasis on rural residents, older adults, and historically marginalized populations. She is a past Fellow of the National Rural Health Association and serves on the editorial boards of the Journal of Rural Health (current chair) and Journal of Applied Gerontology. Dr. Henning-Smith holds a BA in International Relations from Claremont McKenna College; master’s degrees in public health and social work, along with a certificate in gerontology from the University of Michigan; and a PhD in health services research with a minor in demography from the University of Minnesota.
Judith Josiah-Martin, PhD, ACSW, CADC

Judith Josiah-Martin has been a part of the University of Maine School of Social Work faculty for the past seven years. Prior to this, she served UMaine as the Director of Multicultural Student Life for 6 years. She graduated of Smith College School of Social Work with a PhD in Clinical Social Work, and from Washington University-St. Louis with the MSW degree emphasis in Social Welfare, Administration and Community Development. Dr. Josiah-Martin has spent over 30 years working in the field of social work in capacities such as, clinician, treatment program administrator, training consultant, communicator advocate, educator, social activist, grant coordinator, and researcher. Her areas of specialization include: intercultural effective communication and cultural diversity in the workplace; clinical practice with women and children, substance use and trauma related disorders, and social work practice with under-represented and marginalized populations. She is an avid reader and world traveler and a musician who enjoys outdoor adventures.

Lenard W. Kaye, DSW, PhD

Lenard Kaye, Professor at the University of Maine School of Social Work and Director of the University of Maine Center on Aging, is a prolific writer in the field of health care and aging who has published more than 150 journal articles and book chapters and 15 books on specialized topics in aging including social isolation, home health care, productive aging, rural practice, family caregiving, controversial issues in aging, support groups for older women, and congregate housing. His pioneering research and writing on older men’s caregiving experiences and help-seeking behaviors, is widely recognized and frequently cited. He has managed a series of John Hartford Foundation-funded gerontological social work education programs at the University of Maine. Dr. Kaye has served on the National Advisory Committee for Rural Health and Human Services of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Service, as well as the advisory boards of a wide range of national and local health and human service programs serving older adults. He is a Past President of both the Maine and New York State Gerontological Societies and the Past Chair of the National Association of Social Worker's Section on Aging. He sits on the editorial boards of the Journal of Gerontological Social Work and Journal of Aging Life Care and is a Fellow of the Gerontological Society of America.

Hannah LeBlanc, BS

Hannah LeBlanc joined the University of New England as the UNE-Exercise and Conditioning for Easier Living (U-ExCEL) Fitness Specialist in April of 2019 and was promoted to Senior Fitness Specialist in March of 2020. U-ExCEL, an auxiliary program of the College of Osteopathic Medicine Division of Geriatrics, improves health and wellness of older adults through programming and education in communities; nursing homes, assisted living settings, and life care campuses. She has a Bachelor’s Degree in Exercise Science from Saint Joseph’s College of Maine. In her role as a Senior Fitness Specialist, Hannah has demonstrated leadership and commitment. She adapted quickly when COVID arrived by creating fourteen weeks of online At-Home workouts with videos that is free to the public. Hannah has motivated, educated and inspired older adults throughout each workout, helping individuals reach their health and fitness goals. Currently, Hannah instructs group exercise classes that focus on strength, balance, endurance and flexibility at Piper Shores, a life care retirement community in Scarborough Maine.
Danielle Louder

Danielle Louder is Co-Director of Medical Care Development’s Public Health Division, and is responsible for maintenance and growth of the public health portfolio, identifying opportunities for funding diversity, fostering relationships with new and potential funders, developing new initiatives and facilitating collaboration with other organizations locally, regionally and nationally. In this role, she is responsible for expanding the range of public health programs, with emphasis on bridging population health and primary care as well as initiatives deploying technology to enhance health promotion and disease prevention. She has a breadth of experience working across multiple sectors, including health systems, public and community health, with content expertise in telehealth, technology, cardiovascular health, diabetes, and worksite health/wellness.

Ms. Louder also serves as Program Director for the Northeast Telehealth Resource Center (NETRC), where she leads efforts focused on implementation and growth of telehealth programs throughout the NETRC region, (New England, New York and New Jersey), as well as collaborating with colleagues from the National Consortium of TRCs on nation-wide efforts to advance the reach and impact of telehealth. Regional activities are carried out in partnership with the Telemedicine Program at the University of Vermont, and through collaboration with many additional stakeholders throughout the region.

Judith Metcalf, APRN, BC, MS

Judith Metcalf is Associate Program Director for the Geriatric Workforce Enhancement Program (GWEP) sponsored by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. This 5-year grant funded program within the University of New England works in close collaboration with the University of Maine and multiple statewide partners to improve health outcomes for older adults throughout Maine. The UNE GWEP, AgingME, aims to create a more age-friendly health system by better preparing an age-capable workforce, transforming primary care practices, and engaging and empowering older adults.

She is a former Clinical Assistant Professor of Nursing at UNE where she served as Project Coordinator of the HRSA funded Nurse Education Practice Quality and Retention program, “Upstream Practicums in Nursing Program”. She has extensive experience directing programs related to community, public and population health and has established multiple academic/community partnerships through her work with UNE-Maine Geriatric Education Center (UNE-MGEC). She has served as President, Vice President, and Board member of the Dirigo Maine Geriatrics Society, the statewide affiliate of the American Geriatrics Society and has served on several national and statewide boards and committees.

Jeremy Nobel, MD, MPH

Jeremy Nobel experienced “the front lines” of health care and its delivery as a practicing internist for many years. Currently, through faculty appointments at the Harvard School of Public Health and the Harvard Medical School, Dr. Nobel’s teaching, research, and community-based projects address the design of healthcare delivery systems that improve quality, cost-effectiveness, and access. His work has been the basis of significant improvements in preventative, acute, chronic, rehabilitative, and end of life medical care that focus on understanding what quality healthcare means from a patient perspective, and how best to deliver it.

Dr. Nobel is a recognized leader in the field of medical humanities, an interdisciplinary endeavor that draws on a diverse range of fields, including the creative arts, to inform medical education and practice. He is the founder and president of the Foundation for Art and Healing (www.ArtandHealing.org) whose signature initiative, the UnLonely Project (www.UnLonelyProject.org), addressing the personal and public health challenges of loneliness and social isolation, has gained national visibility. His work is dedicated to exploring the important relationship between creative expression and health and well-being, bringing those benefits to individuals and communities through innovative pro- grams and an active research agenda.

Jeremy is also a published poet and has received several awards for his works.
Clifford Singer, MD, DFAPA, AGSF

Cliff Singer is Chief of Geriatric Mental Health and Neuropsychiatry at Northern Light Acadia Hospital in Bangor, Maine. He directs the Mood and Memory Clinic at Acadia and is Principal Investigator of the Northern Light Health Alzheimer’s Disease Research Program. He was recruited to Acadia Hospital in 2010 after academic careers at Oregon Health and Science University and the University of Vermont. He was the founding president of the Oregon Geriatrics Society and is now president of the Dirigo Maine Geriatrics Society, the medical society in Maine focused on improving the health care of older adults. In 2005, he received a special award from the Oregon Department of Human Services for his service to older adults with dementia, the EMMC Family Medicine Residents Annual Teaching Award in 2016 and in 2019, the EMMC Annual Award for Clinical Research for improving the care of patients with Alzheimer’s disease through clinical research. He has made national and regional television and radio appearances speaking on topics related to aging, co-edited a textbook on aging and social isolation, published 38 papers and 19 book chapters and given more than 330 presentations at regional and national meetings. He has been selected by peers to “Best Doctors in America” every year since 2004.

Nina Tumosa, PhD

Nina Tumosa has been at the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) for the past 8 years. She serves as Lead Public Health Analyst for the Geriatric Workforce Enhancement Program (GWEP) and is responsible for the development and maintenance of HRSA’s 16-module Alzheimer’s Disease and Related Dementia curriculum and 11-module Caregiving curriculum.

Dr. Tumosa received her BS/MS degrees in biology/molecular biology from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and her PhD in Neuroscience from the State University of New York. She completed two research postdoctoral fellowships, one at the University of Calgary and the other at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. She has also completed two health policy fellowships, one with the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) and the other with the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). Prior to joining HRSA she was a Professor of Internal Medicine in the Division of Geriatric Medicine at Saint Louis University School of Medicine and the Associate Director for Education at the Geriatrics Research, Education and Clinical Center (GRECC) at the St. Louis VA Medical Center. She co-developed the SLUMS exam, which is a screening tool for cognitive impairments, with John Morley.

Susan Wehry, MD

Susan Wehry is a geriatric psychiatrist with over 35 years of experience in a variety of roles. A compassionate clinician, educator, public administrator and long-term care advisor, Susan is currently Chief of Geriatrics at the University of New England College of Osteopathic Medicine where she directs AgingME: Maine’s Geriatrics Workforce Enhancement Program (GWEP) and new TeleHealthy program.

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