



2011 Uniting to End Disparities Breast Cancer Conference

PROGRAM



Knowledge

+ Activism =

Empowerment

Friday, November 11, 2011

8 a.m.— 4 p.m.

Advocate Christ Hospital and Medical Center

(Conference Facility)

4440 W. 95th, Oak Lawn, Illinois

Conference Learning Objectives Include:

- Outline emerging data from the Chicago Breast Cancer Quality Consortium's quality improvement project.
- Identify current breast cancer screening and treatment research.
- Advocate strategies for improved breast care and foster medical staff communication through cross-disciplinary discussion.
- Describe the breast cancer mortality disparity rate in Metropolitan Chicago.
- Identify the importance of early detection through mammogram screenings and educate community-based participants about advocating for their own health needs.

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Continuing education for Radiology Technologists has also been made available through partnership with Advocate Health Care. Illinois Emergency Management Agency (IEMA) approved continuing education credits for category A = 6 credits.

AGENDA

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. **Breakfast and Registration**

9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. **Opening Keynote Speaker**
Dr. Terry Mason – Cook County Health & Hospitals System

9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. **2009 Quality Data and Environmental Scan Results and Discussion**
Dr. Anne Marie Murphy – Executive Director of the Metropolitan Chicago Breast Cancer Task Force

10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. **Break**

10:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. **Breakout Session I**

“Your Money or Your Life” – How to protect your employment and insurance coverage rights after a cancer diagnosis. *Monica Fawzy Bryant – Cancer Legal Resource Center.*

“Say What?” “¿Que Dijo?” – How to talk with your medical provider about breast cancer screening & treatment. *Moderator: Trina Khalfani, Panelists: Dr. Patricia Robinson & Angela Walker.*

“Looking Under the Rug” – A review of Issues in mammography quality and processes. *Moderator: Christine Weldon Panelists: Eileen Knightly, Peggy Kupres, Sharon Brown-Elms & Dr. Julia Trosman (CEUs available)*

“Easy and Accurate Data?! What a Dream!” – How to make mammography data systems work for you. *Moderator: Terry Macarol, Panelists: Dr. Garth Rauscher, Jennifer Orsi & Kristi Allgood (CEUs available).*

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. **Lunch**

1:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. **Keynote Speaker**
Dr. Linda Rae Murray – Chief Medical Officer, Cook County Department of Public Health & President of the American Public Health Association

1:30 p.m. – 1:45 p.m. **State Announcement: Mammography Medicaid Reimbursement**
Julie Hamos – Director, Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services

1:50 p.m. – 3:10 p.m. **Breakout Session II**

“Get your House in Order” – How to prepare important, health related legal documents. *Monica Fawzy Bryant – Cancer Legal Resource Center.*

“Lift Every Voice” – How to use political advocacy to address breast cancer disparities. *Moderator: Angela Walker, Panelists: Louanner Peters & State Representative William Davis*

“You Have Cancer –Please Hold” – A Review of issues in timeliness and communication in breast care. *Moderator: Dr. Julia Trosman, Panelists: Tabitha Williams, Diana Salgado & Christine Weldon (CEUs available).*

“Five Things That Keep Me Up At Night” – A Review of Medical Care Practices, Quality and Ethics. *Greg Pilat – Advocate Health Care (CEUs available).*

3:15 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. **Closing Remarks**



The Metropolitan Chicago Breast Cancer Task Force (the Task force) is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to the fight against breast cancer inequalities in Metropolitan Chicago.

Many women are not able to get care or don't get the best quality of care based on where they live, the type of insurance they have, how much money they earn or their race. These inequalities cause women of color and poor women to lose their battle against the disease. This outcome is unacceptable. A woman should have the same access to high quality care regardless of her race, ethnicity, where she lives, how much money she has or whether she has insurance.

In order to deal with this problem, the Task Force and its project, the Chicago Breast Cancer Quality Consortium, have worked with many health institutions and community based partners to:

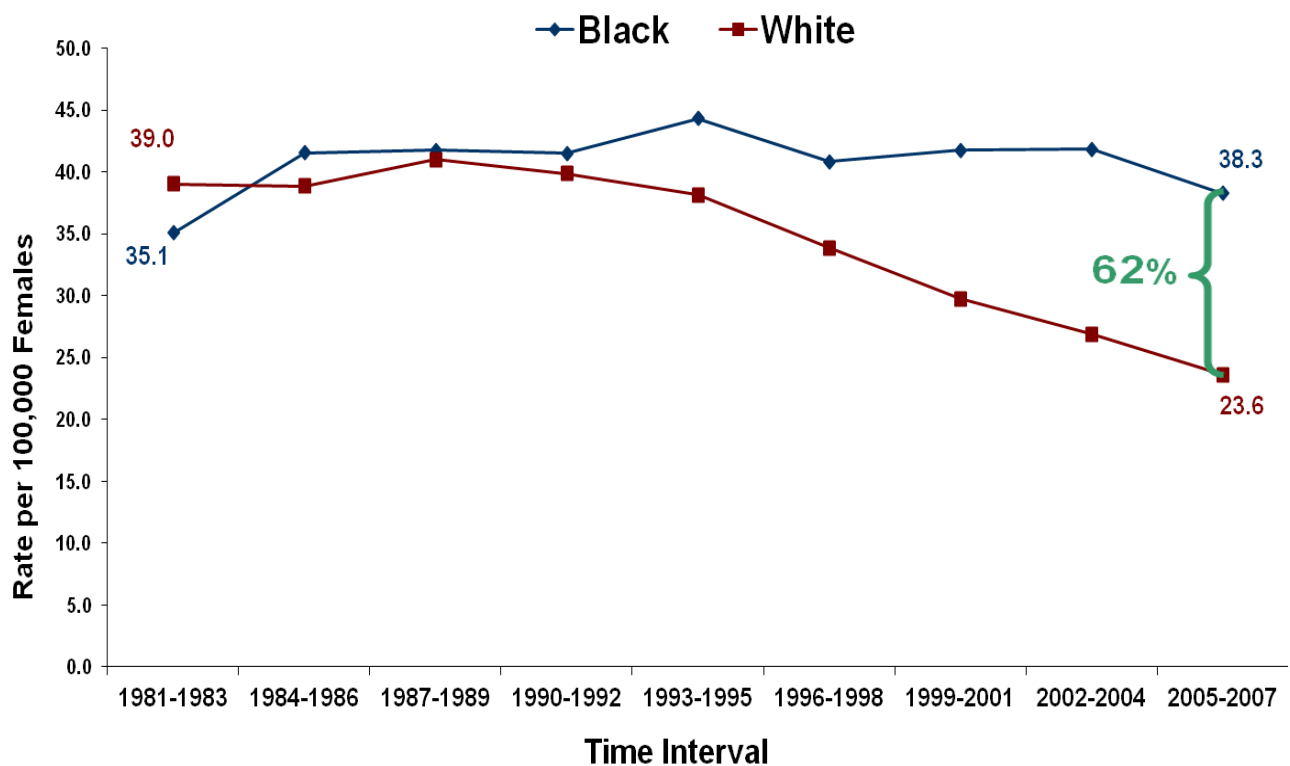
1. Advocate for increased funding for the Illinois Breast and Cervical Cancer Program (IBCCP program), which provides free mammograms and Pap tests for uninsured women.
2. Measure and improve the quality of care delivered in hospitals and clinics for all women
3. Educate the public about the importance of breast cancer screenings
4. Educate the public about breast cancer disparities
5. Fund other community based organizations working in breast cancer outreach and education
6. Work with legislative officials to improve healthcare for all through changes in laws and policies

Although a lot has been accomplished, we still have much more to do. Our work will not end until every woman in Metropolitan Chicago has an equal chance in their fight against breast cancer.

Did You Know?

- In 1980, black and white women in Chicago with breast cancer had an equal death rate.
- By 2007, while the death rate for white women had decreased dramatically, data showed that black women's breast cancer deaths increased to a rate 62% higher than white women in Chicago.
- The disparity rate nationally is 41% and the rate in New York is only 27%.

Black and White Breast Cancer Mortality Chicago, 1981 – 2007



Age-Adjusted Female Breast Cancer Mortality for Chicago, Per 100,000 Population

Prepared by The Sinai Urban Health Institute

CONFERENCE BIOGRAPHES

In order of appearance

Terry Mason, MD
Cook County Health & Hospitals System

Dr. Terry Mason is an Assistant Professor at the University of Illinois at Chicago, School of Public Health. His professional experience includes: Chairman of the Department of Urology for Michael Reese Hospital and Medical Center, President of the Medical Staff for Mercy Hospital and Medical Center and Commissioner of the Chicago Department of Public Health. Dr. Mason has also held several positions at Cook County Health and Hospitals System, including Chief Medical Officer and Interim Chief Executive Officer. He has won numerous awards for his contributions to the medical field, including Physician of the Year (National Medical Association); Living Legacy Outstanding Physician Award (Provident Hospital Foundation) and Best in Medicine (Black Enterprise). Dr. Mason has also engaged in research on reducing cancer health disparities in the African American community.

In addition to his professional endeavors, Dr. Mason hosts a weekly radio show on WVON. He has a bachelor's degree from Loyola University and a graduate degree from the University of Illinois, Abraham Lincoln School of Medicine.

Anne Marie Murphy, Ph.D.
Metropolitan Chicago Breast Cancer Task Force

Dr. Murphy was named the Executive Director of the Metropolitan Chicago Breast Cancer Task Force in April 2010. She originally joined the Task Force in April 2009 as the Director of the Chicago Breast Cancer Quality Consortium, a Task Force collaborative between healthcare providers focused on eliminating racial health disparities in breast cancer in Metropolitan Chicago. Under her leadership, the Consortium became the first federal Patient Safety Organization exclusively dedicated to quality improvement in breast cancer and the elimination of racial health disparities.

Prior to joining the Task Force, Dr. Murphy was the Illinois Governor's Director of State Healthcare Initiatives and the State's Medicaid Director where she was responsible for the design of new healthcare initiatives in the areas of women's health, men's health, patient safety and universal healthcare. Dr. Murphy has been instrumental in implementing all of the state's major healthcare expansions between 2003 and 2009, including the expansion of the Illinois Breast and Cervical Cancer Program to cover ALL uninsured women in the State. Prior to taking the position of Illinois' Medicaid Director, Dr. Murphy worked on Capitol Hill as a health advisor to Senators Richard J. Durbin, Paul Simon (D-IL) and Edward M. Kennedy (D-MA).

Dr. Murphy earned a Bachelors Degree in Natural Sciences (Honors) from Trinity College in Dublin, Ireland and a Ph.D. in Molecular Genetics from the Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, Maryland.

Monica Fawzy Bryant, Esq.
Cancer Legal Resource Center

Monica Fawzy Bryant is the Midwest Regional Director of the Cancer Legal Resource Center. Ms. Bryant graduated from the University of California at Santa Barbara in 2003, earning a Bachelor of Arts in both Law & Society and Psychology. Ms. Bryant earned her law degree in 2006, from The George Washington University Law School. She is licensed to practice law in California and Illinois. Prior to joining the CLRC, Ms. Bryant served as Legislative Counsel for U.S. Congresswoman Linda T. Sanchez, where she focused on justice and civil rights issues. Ms. Bryant also volunteers for the Illinois Division of the American Cancer Society's Advocacy Committee.

Trina Khalfani, M.Ed
Metropolitan Chicago Breast Cancer Task Force

Trina Khalfani joined The Chicago Metropolitan Breast Cancer Task Force in July 2009 as the Community Outreach Coordinator with over 15 years experience in Public Health. Her primary role is to develop relationships and educational programs with community partners to address the breast cancer disparity in Metropolitan Chicago.

Trina earned her Masters of Health Education (Community Health concentration) from Penn State University. She earned her Bachelor's degree in Business Administration from Morgan State University. She is a Certified Health Education Specialist (CHES), Certified Natural Health Professional (CNHP), Smoking Cessation Facilitator and Red Cross HIV/AIDS Instructor.

Trina was lead to public health by her strong desire to help individuals become advocates for their own health. She is a women's health advocate and wants to contribute to ending the health care disparities for people of color. Her main focus is on health promotion and disease prevention.

Patricia Robinson, MD
Loyola University Medical Center

Dr. Patricia A. Robinson is a board certified, assistant professor of medicine and oncology at Loyola University Medical Center in Maywood, Illinois. She has engaged in research, published multiple articles and presented abstract presentations throughout the country on breast cancer and breast cancer disparities in the African American community. Dr. Robinson received academic honors and professional awards for her work in 1987, 2001, 2005 and 2011.

Dr. Robinson received her undergraduate degree in biology from the University of Michigan and her graduate degree from Michigan State University. She completed her residency training at Loyola University Medical Center. Her professional memberships have included the American Society of Hematology and the American Society of Clinical Oncology. She currently volunteers her time with several nonprofit organizations, including as a Board Member for the Metropolitan Chicago Breast Cancer Task Force,

Angela K. Walker, MA
Sisters Network Chicago

Angela K. Walker is a five year breast cancer survivor and activist. Ms. Walker is dedicated to educating minority women about early detection, health disparities, advocacy, breast health and healthy lifestyles. She has appeared on Oprah.com, BET, BET.com, National Public Radio WBEZ-Chicago, BBC.com, Perspectives with Monique Caradine on MY50, Upfront with the Reverend Jesse Jackson on the Word Network, Chicago Speaks with Ty Wansely and Mary Mitchell on V103-Chicago, Live with Garrard McClendon on CLTV-Chicago and various shows on WVON-1690 AM-Chicago.

Ms. Walker has been featured in the 2007 Heartland Blood calendar, articles in the Chicago Sun-Times, the Chicago Tribune, The Chicago Defender, The Southtown Star, the Gospel Tribune and the Medill News from Northwestern University. She has written articles for the Gospel Tribune, Markham City News, and has been a guest blogger for Rush University Medical Center and Amoena Online. Angela has advocated for women before the Chicago City Council, the Illinois General Assembly, on Capitol Hill and was honored by Governor Pat Quinn during his first State of the State Address. Ms. Walker has conducted numerous workshops and educational programs on the early detection of breast cancer. She is frequently requested to speak about her breast cancer journey and has spoken throughout the Chicagoland area for community and faith based organizations, businesses, schools and civic organizations.

Christine Weldon, MBA
Center for Business Models in Healthcare

Christine Weldon is a Director of the Center for Business Models in Healthcare, an independent investigator firm focused on breast cancer care process improvement and the adoption of personalized medicine in cancer care. She has worked closely with the Metropolitan Chicago Breast Cancer Task Force during the past year on conducting environmental scans at 26 breast care sites. Ms. Weldon has over twenty years of experience in business advisory, research and consulting services. Her expertise includes business model design, business visioning and planning, strategic decision-making support, facilitation of complex initiatives, business process optimization, organizational design and information management. Ms. Weldon's research interests and expertise include adoption, care delivery and reimbursement of innovative care models, including personalized breast cancer care approaches. She earned an MBA from the Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University and a BSBA from Drake University.

Eileen Knightly, RN, BSN, MHA
Mercy Hospital and Medical Center

Eileen Knightly is a registered nurse, who has been employed by Mercy Hospital and Medical Center since December 1980. She has worked in many areas including medical/surgical, ICU nurse, home health, hospice, discharge planning, quality improvement, and most currently as the Director of Women's Health and the Comprehensive Breast Care Center as well as the Illinois Breast and Cervical Cancer Program for Mercy. Mercy serves as the largest lead agency for the Illinois Breast and Cervical Cancer Program in the state. Eileen also serves as the Cancer Program Administrator and Clinical Trial Coordinator for Mercy.

Ms. Knightly obtained her Bachelor's Degree in Nursing from Saint Xavier University (1985), Certificate in Managed Care from Saint Xavier University (2001), a Masters Degree in Health Care Administration from Saint Xavier University (2010) and completed the Breast Health Specialists course in 2002. Currently Ms. Knightly is the Vice President on the board of directors for the Metropolitan Chicago Breast Cancer Task Force, a non-for profit group addressing the disparity in breast cancer care in Chicago.

Peggy Kupres, RN, BSN, MA
Advocate Christ Medical Center

Peggy Kupres is a registered nurse, who has been employed by Advocate Christ Medical Center since April 1986. She has worked in the Operating Room for 28 of her 32 years as a nurse, where she served as Manager for 2 years. For the last 3.5 years, she has served as the Manager of the Advocate Christ Center for Breast Care. She co-facilitates the monthly Breast Cancer Support Group at Advocate Christ Medical Center and is the coordinator for Livestrong's Cancer Transition program at the hospital.

Ms. Kupres obtained her Bachelors Degree in Nursing from the University of Illinois (1979) and a Masters Degree in Organizational Leadership from Lewis University (2006). She completed the Educare Breast Health Specialists course in 2008. She is certified in Clinical Breast Examination and as a Breast Patient Navigator in Imaging and Cancer Care through the National Consortium of Breast Centers. Ms. Kupres is very active in the American Cancer Society, completing a 5 year term as Chair of the Prairie Land Volunteer Regional Leadership Board.

Sharon Brown-Elms, MPA
Rush University Medical Center Imaging Department

Sharon Brown-Elms has been in the field of breast health and imaging for over twenty years. She has worked for some of Chicago's most prestigious breast imaging centers and renowned radiologists. As a professional, she knows that mammography saves. But it wasn't until breast cancer hit her close to home that led her to gain a deeper understanding of the fears and myths that prevent women of color from having annual mammograms and learning how to perform breast self examinations. As Founder of the W.E.A.R. Foundation, she developed two breast health programs entitled BHAPI and Pamper Me Healthy. As Operations Manager of the Rush Breast Imaging part of her responsibilities is community outreach. Currently, she is working on her PhD in Healthcare Administration. She looks forward to the balance between human capital and financial capital which will inspire better practices and policies to tackle disparities the plague the African-American community.

Terry Macarol, RT(R)(M)(QM)CBPN-IC
Advocate Health Care

Terry L. Macarol is the Breast Imaging Program Manager for Advocate Health Care, based in Oak Brook, Illinois. Advocate is the largest fully integrated not-for-profit health delivery system in Metropolitan Chicago and is recognized as one of the top ten systems in the country.

At Advocate Health Care, Ms. Macarol is responsible for the system-wide quality breast imaging programs, technology, system outcomes and MQSA regulatory compliance. She is also the program director for Advocate's breast health education symposiums. Ms. Macarol currently serves a board member of the Metropolitan Chicago Breast Cancer Task Force, Co-Chair of the Steering Committee, and Co-Chair of the Mammography Advisory Board for the Chicago Breast Cancer Quality Consortium. She is also a trustee for the National Consortium of Breast Centers (NCBC). Ms. Macarol has over 30 years of experience in women's health imaging including screening, diagnostic and interventional mammography. She recently celebrated 30 years of service with Advocate and is the recipient of the 2009 Inspirational Award for the National Consortium of Breast Centers.

Jennifer Orsi, MPH
Chicago Breast Cancer Quality Consortium

Jennifer currently serves as the Senior Data Coordinator for the Chicago Breast Cancer Quality Consortium, a project of the Metropolitan Chicago Breast Cancer Task Force. In this position Jennifer is responsible for the management and analysis of data examining quality across the breast health continuum. She also serves as a technical resource assisting member organizations with data collection and other needs.

Previously, Ms. Orsi served as an epidemiologist and project coordinator for a project examining the association between vitamin D status and a variety of health outcomes among women with HIV/AIDS. Prior to that Ms. Orsi served as a project evaluator and lead analyst of vital statistics data at the Sinai Urban Health Institute (SUHI). She also served as an epidemiologist at the Arizona Department of Health Services where she was instrumental in the development, marketing, and dissemination of Arizona's state wide web-based electronic surveillance system.

Ms. Orsi received her Bachelor's Degree in community health from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in 2001 and her Master's in Public Health degree in Epidemiology from the University of Illinois at Chicago in 2003. Jennifer's main research interests include health disparities, psychosocial epidemiology, and epidemiologic methods.

Garth Rauscher, PhD
University of Illinois at Chicago

Dr. Rauscher is Associate Professor of Epidemiology at the University of Illinois at Chicago. He has a PhD in epidemiology and has conducted extensive research in disparities in breast cancer screening, diagnosis and treatment for over ten years. He serves as project director of a breast cancer disparities study within the UIC Center for Population Health and Health Disparities and a study of disparities in colon cancer care within UIC's National Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities. He teaches introductory and advanced epidemiology classes for the Division of Epidemiology and Biostatistics at the University of Illinois at Chicago.

Kristi Allgood, MPH
Sinai Urban Health Institute

Kristi Allgood has a Master's Degree in Public Health and Epidemiology from University of Illinois at Chicago School of Public Health and is a Social Epidemiologist at the Sinai Urban Health Institute, an entity of the Sinai Health System in Chicago. Kristi joined Sinai in 2004 where she has developed, managed and evaluated a successful breast health patient navigation program in which women with abnormal mammograms are navigated to follow-up and treatment services. In addition, she has been able to gather and calculate measures of breast imaging quality from the semi-electronic medical records available at Sinai. As the recent Illinois Hospital Association Innovation in Quality Award winner, Kristi focuses much of her work on improving the quality of breast health services and eliminating breast cancer mortality disparities in Chicago. Kristi was one of many authors of the Metropolitan Chicago Breast Cancer Task Force Report which outlined 37 recommendations to improve access and quality of breast health services in Chicago and remains active on the Mammography Quality Measures Committee.

Linda Rae Murray, MD, MPH
Cook County Department of Public Health

Dr. Murray has spent her career serving the medically underserved. She has worked in a variety of settings including practicing Occupational Medicine at a Workers Clinic in Canada, Residency Director for Occupational Medicine at Meharry Medical College, and Bureau Chief for the Chicago Department of Public Health under Mayor Harold Washington. Dr. Murray served as Medical Director of the federally funded health center, Winfield Moody, serving the Cabrini Green Public Housing Project in Chicago. Dr. Murray has been an active member of a wide range of local and national organizations including serving as a member of the Board of Scientific Counselors for the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR), and the Board of Scientific Counselors for the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) and the Board of Directors of Trinity Health (a large Catholic Health system). She serves on the National Advisory Committee on Occupational Safety & Health (NACOSH).

In 1997 Dr. Murray returned to the Cook County Health System where she served as Chief Medical Officer - Primary Care for the twenty three primary care and community health centers comprising the Ambulatory & Community Health Network of the Cook County Bureau of Health Services. She practices as a general internist at Woodlawn Health Center, is an attending physician in the Division of Occupational and Environmental Medicine at Cook County Hospital and an adjunct Assistant Professor at the University of Illinois School of Public Health (Occupational & Environmental Health and the Health Policy & Administration Departments). Program Community Advisory Committee at the University of Illinois.

In November, 2010 Dr. Murray became President of the American Public Health Association. She has been a voice for social justice and health care as a basic human right for over forty years.

Julie Hamos, JD
Illinois Department of Healthcare & Family Services

Director Julie Hamos was appointed Director of the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services in April 2010. HFS is the largest state agency with management responsibility for the Medicaid Program, Child Support Services and the Group Health Insurance Program, an \$18 billion budget and staff of 2,400. Previously, Ms. Hamos was the elected State Representative of the 18th District with a successful legislative agenda in a number of policy areas. She was named “top legislator” by over 50 organizations and one of the “25 Women to Watch” by *Crain’s Chicago Business*. Long before seeking public office, for over 20 years Julie championed public interest policies and community issues inside government and in her own law practice. She received her law degree in 1975 from George Washington University in Washington DC.

Louanner Peters, MSW
Deputy Chief of Staff for Congressman Bobby Rush

Louanner Peters, a noted political strategist and public policy expert, was appointed deputy governor of Illinois in December 2006 after serving as the former governor’s deputy chief of staff for nearly three years prior. She was the first Black woman to hold the deputy governor position. For over three decades she has helped to shape public policy that has greatly improved the quality of life for millions of people across the country – particularly the poor and the young. Prior to becoming Deputy Chief of Staff for Congressman Bobby Rush, Ms. Peters served as chief executive officer for JLP Consulting, LLC, a full-service strategic planning, business development and public affairs firm. She also worked for the NAACP’s Voter Empowerment Project in Baltimore and for former U.S. Rep. Gus Savage, D-2nd. Ms. Peters received a Bachelor’s Degree in political science from Louisiana State University and a master’s degree in social work from the University of Illinois at Chicago.

State Representative William Davis, MPA
Illinois House of Representatives

Since taking office for the 30th District in 2003, Rep. Davis’ top legislative priorities have included education funding, increased health care availability and economic development. Rep. Davis has worked continuously to improve health care. In 2005, he helped make Illinois the first state in the nation to guarantee access to quality and affordable health care for all children. Rep. Davis serves on several committees in the Illinois General Assembly. He is Chairman of both the Appropriations- Elementary & Secondary Education and the Special Committee on Health and Healthcare Disparities. He also serves as a member of the Appropriations for Higher Education, International Trade & Commerce, Labor, Mass Transit committees, and the Workers’ Compensation Subcommittee. Additionally, Rep. Davis is the Joint Chairman of the Illinois Legislative Black Caucus.

The Illinois Association of Code Enforcement, Illinois Primary Healthcare Association, and the Illinois Association of Park Districts have all recognized Davis with “Legislator of the Year” awards. He is a member of New Mount Olive Baptist Church, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Incorporated and a founding member of the Better Funding for Better Schools Coalition. He serves on the Foundation Board of South Suburban College and several committees in the Illinois General Assembly. Rep. Davis holds a Master of Public Administration Degree from Governors State University and a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Political Science from Southern Illinois University (SIU) at Carbondale.

Julia Trosman, PhD, MBA
Center for Business Models in Healthcare

Julia Trosman is a Director of the Center for Business Models in Healthcare, an independent investigator firm focused on breast cancer care process improvement and adoption of personalized medicine in cancer care. She is Assistant Adjunct Professor at University of California, San Francisco, where she collaborates with the UCSF Center for Translational and Policy Research on Personalized Medicine (TRANSPERS) on topics of evidence and reimbursement for personalized medicine in cancer care. Ms. Trosman has over 25 years of unique and diverse experience in research and business, with a focus on healthcare and systems modeling. Her research interests and expertise include adoption, care delivery and reimbursement of innovative care models, including personalized breast cancer care approaches. Julia possesses an MBA from the Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University and a PhD from the Institute of Law and Economics,

Tabitha Williams, BSN, MSN
University of Chicago Medical Center

Tabitha Williams is presently the Mammography Nurse at the University of Chicago. She has 20 years of nursing experience in Women's Health and Ambulatory Care. She has been actively committed to Breast Health Care since 1997. In 1999 she received "Breast Health Specialist Certification" from Judy Kneece, RN, ONC the President of EduCare. Ms. Williams obtained her MSN/MBA from Saint Xavier University in 2007 and her BSN from the University of Illinois in 1990.

Diana Salgado, M.A.
Mt. Sinai Hospital

Diana Salgado is a bilingual medical assistant who is currently employed at Mount Sinai Hospital as Sinai's Breast Health Manager. She has been employed at Mount Sinai Hospital since 2006 and oversees two patient navigators. Diana works very closely with the surgeons, oncologists, and radiologists in order to make sure her patients get whatever they need. She navigates patients that have had an abnormal mammogram and require a biopsy as well as patients that have been diagnosed with breast cancer, guiding them from point A to B in their care process. She also works with 52 clinics that are affiliated with Mount Sinai and 13 outside clinics. Ms. Salgado has collaborated with staff at the Stand Against Cancer Program to ensure their patients return to Sinai within their 60 day window. She also has worked with Dr. Sandy Goldberg's Silver Lining Foundation to help uninsured women get a screening mammogram, additional imaging or biopsy. In addition to earning a masters degree, Ms. Salgado attended The International Breast Course at Northwestern University in 2006 & 2007.

Kathy Powers, PA
John H. Stroger, Jr. Hospital of Cook County

Kathy Powers is a Physician Assistant in the Breast Oncology Clinic at John H Stroger , Jr Hospital of Cook County in Chicago. She has held this position since graduating from the PA program at Malcolm X College in 2000. She has worked in underserved communities in rural Mississippi as well as the Austin and West Englewood neighborhoods in Chicago.

Greg Pilat, MBA
Advocate Health Care

Greg Pilat is the System Director of Radiology/Imaging for Advocate Health Care a 12 hospital integrated delivery network with its corporate offices located in Oak Brook, IL. Greg has been involved Radiology/Imaging since 1972 where he has held a number of clinical and management positions from staff technologist through System Director. Greg is an active member of a number of local, regional and national organizations including American Healthcare Radiology Administrators (AHRA), The College of Imaging Administrators and National Consortium of Breast Centers.

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