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The State of Oral Health: Increasing Access & Reducing Disparities

SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

(In order of appearance on the program)

Kathryn Santoro, MA is Director of Programming at the National Institute for Health Care Management (NIHCM) Foundation, a nonprofit and nonpartisan organization dedicated to transforming health care through evidence and collaboration. Ms. Santoro currently leads NIHCM's programs to highlight market and policy innovations, including webinars and Capitol Hill briefings, and directs the organization's journalism and population health programs.

Ms. Santoro joined NIHCM Foundation in September 2004 after receiving her Master's degree in Public Policy from George Washington University with a focus on women's health policy. Ms. Santoro previously served as a Project Consultant for Women in Government where she was responsible for compiling a state-by-state report card on access to cervical cancer screening. While pursuing her Master's degree, Ms. Santoro was a Communications Assistant for a health policy consulting firm and a Graduate Intern for a Washington, D.C. based women's and children's policy research organization. Ms. Santoro attended Villanova University in Villanova, PA and graduated with a BA cum laude in Political Science.

Natalia I. Chalmers DDS, MHSc, PhD, is a board-certified pediatric dentist, oral health policy expert, and public health advocate who brings more than 20 years of clinical, research, industry, and regulatory experience to CMS in her role as Chief Dental Officer in the Office of the Administrator. Previously, Dr. Chalmers served as a Dental Officer at the CMS Centers for Medicaid and CHIP Services and as a Dental Officer at the US Food and Drug Administration.

Dr. Chalmers has devoted her career to transforming scientific and health care data and information into actionable insights to address equity, improve care, and better inform policy and funding. Dr. Chalmers completed her Doctor of Dental Surgery degree at the Faculty of Dental Medicine of the Medical University of Sofia, a residency in pediatric dentistry at the University of Maryland School of Dentistry, and a Ph.D. in oral

microbiology from the Graduate Partnerships Program of the University of Maryland School of Dentistry and the National Institute for Dental and Craniofacial Research at the National Institutes of Health, Post-doctoral Fellowship at the Forsyth Institute, and Clinical Research Fellowship at the National Institute for Dental and Craniofacial Research, National Institutes of Health.

Dr. Chalmers holds a Master's degree in Clinical Research from Duke Medical University and a Certificate in Drug Development and Regulatory Science from the University of California San Francisco School of Pharmacy. Her research has translated into action improving oral care and advocating for the role health policy can play across the lifespan—particularly when it embraces dental well-being as a facet of care for the whole person.

Katie Eyes, MSW, Vice President, Program and Strategy, works closely with the program team, grantees, and others to support communities in North Carolina to look upstream and transform practice and culture to dramatically improve health. In addition, she provides leadership for the Foundation's focus on oral health. Katie works internally and externally to broaden our perspective, build partnerships, and deepen our commitment to those communities that experience the greatest inequities.

Katie joined the Blue Cross NC Foundation in 2009 and as a program officer formerly led the Foundation's focus on access to care and our Community-Centered Health Initiative supporting local, cross-sector partnerships to develop practices that advance community-centered health.

Anita Duhl Glicken, MSW, Professor and Associate Dean Emerita at the University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Center, has over 30 years of administrative, research and education experience. Ms. Glicken currently Chairs the HRSA Advisory Committee on Training in Primary Care Medicine and Dentistry (ACTPCMD). She is a founding member of the National Interprofessional Initiative on Oral Health (NIIOH), and now serves as NIIOH Executive Director. Since 2009, the NIIOH has been a backbone organization and national voice for the interprofessional integration of oral health into primary care.

She has served on several national expert panels to develop tools and resources supporting workforce research, practice, and policy, including HRSA's National Center for Health Workforce Analysis (NCHWA) on *Data and Methods for Tracking, Supply, Demand, Distribution and Adequacy of the Primary Care Workforce*, HRSA's 2014 report *Integration of Oral Health and Primary Care Practice*, and the Qualis Health White Paper, *Oral Health: An Essential Component of Primary Care*. Past leadership roles include President of the Physician Assistant Education Association (PAEA) and President/CEO of the National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants Health Foundation,

where she worked with NCHWA to create a database on certified PA practice to inform health policy and workforce planning. A clinical social worker, Ms. Glicken's career has focused on healthcare transformation, partnering to create innovative education and care delivery models grounded in interprofessional collaboration and health equity. Most recently, she was founding Project Director of an American International Health Alliance contract to build midlevel health workforce capacity in South Africa. Ms. Glicken is the author of over 100 publications in health care education, workforce and research.