

**Learning and Leading:
Options and Opportunities to Address Unmet Oral Health Needs
Speaker Biographies**

Henrie M. Treadwell, PhD, is Founding Director of the Community Voices Initiative, Research Professor in the Department of Community Health and Preventive at Medicine at Morehouse School of Medicine, and Chair of The Links Incorporated, National Childhood Obesity Initiative.

Her work as Research Professor at Morehouse School of Medicine encompasses formulation of health and social policy options, oversight of programs designed to address health disparities and the social determinants of health, and special programs to facilitate reentry into community of those engaged with the criminal justice system with a special emphasis on poor boys and men/boys and men of color.

Dr. Treadwell is author of “Beyond Stereotypes in Black and White”. She is also co-editor of “Health Issues in the Black Community (2009)” and Section Editor-Social Determinants in the Journal of Men’s Health. She frequently appears on various syndicated radio and television networks aired throughout the world such as CNN’s

Lou Dobbs Tonight and Campbell Brown Show.

Dr. Treadwell’s educational background includes the bachelor’s degree in biology that she obtained from the University of South Carolina, in which she enrolled as the first African American student as a result of a desegregation lawsuit. Her further education was at Boston University where she obtained a master’s degree in biology, and Atlanta University where she received the Ph.D. in biochemistry and molecular biology. Dr. Treadwell has also completed postdoctoral work at the Harvard University School of Public Health.

Glenda Crump MS, CPM, currently serves as Chief Operations Officer (COO) for the Mississippi Public Health Institute (MSPHI), a nonprofit organization that works to build partnerships to address pressing health issues in Mississippi. She is a skilled nonprofit leader with over 25 years of experience in project management; program development and implementation; event coordination; curriculum, resource, partnership, board, and organizational development; community mobilization; media advocacy training; public speaking;

public relations and social marketing. For 23 years, she worked in various capacities for DREAM, Inc., Mississippi's oldest and largest youth substance abuse prevention organization and served her last 10 years as its CEO. A highly skilled and in-demand facilitator, Glenda has conducted hundreds of workshops on topics such as cultural competence, organizational change, personality traits, community mobilization, team-building, and leadership development. She has also delivered numerous motivational keynote speeches for schools, conferences and churches. During her career, she has obtained many awards and recognitions including the national Job Training and Partnership Act Award (JTPA) during her tenure with Friends of Children of Mississippi, Inc. Head Start where she assisted economically disadvantaged women start micro-enterprises. The program was recognized as one of the top ten in the country. Other awards and recognitions include the Mississippi Prevention Professional of the Year award and the Herb Loving Award for Outstanding Contributions to Substance Abuse Prevention bestowed by the Mississippi Department of Mental Health. She is a member of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority. Glenda has a Master of Science in Communications from Mississippi College and a Bachelor of Arts in English and Journalism from Tougaloo College. She is a certified prevention specialist. She has taught speech and business communication at Belhaven University in both the traditional and adult education programs.

Dionne J. Richardson, DDS, MPH, is Director of the Oral Health Program of the Mississippi State Department of Health. In

1994, she received her Doctor of Dental Surgery degree from Meharry Medical College School of Dentistry in Nashville, TN and a Master in Public Health from the University of Rochester in Rochester, NY. She completed residencies in Advanced Education in General Dentistry and Public Health at the Eastman Dental Center in Rochester. She is also a National Public Health Leadership Institute Scholar. Joining the faculty at the Eastman Dental Center and the University of Rochester launched her career in public health dentistry. For the past 10 years, she has worked with state oral health programs developing policy and implementing community water fluoridation; working to improve administration of dental Medicaid services; and developing activities to increase school-based prevention program efforts. Dr. Richardson has served as an expert in her field and contributes to work involving public health programs, access to care, dental research and oral health literacy. She has worked with the CDC, Institute of Medicine, the National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research and other federal and national organizations. Along with public health leadership roles and responsibilities in oral health, she is married to Reverend Chaun Richardson and they have two children, Jonathan and Cristiane.

Starla Hairston Blanks, MBA, MPH, CPHP, is the Director of Community Voices: Healthcare for the Underserved of Morehouse School of Medicine which is dedicated to addressing health disparities,

research, policy and practice. Mrs. Blanks oversees all Community Voices operations and research efforts focused on health equity, health disparities, training and technical assistance. Additionally, she is charged with the evaluation of numerous nationwide projects related to community health, access to care, health policy, diabetes and nutrition. To this position she brings experience working at the local, state, and national levels on health promotion, health policy, diversity and access to care issues. Ms. Blanks has published in peer-reviewed journals, co-authored book chapters, written articles for community newspapers, and provided interviews for local television and radio shows concerning health equity and disparities. She is a nationally recognized trainer with certifications in public health practice, adult learning, community organizing, smoking cessation and chronic disease who holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Political Science, Master's degree in Business Administration with a specialization in non-profit leadership and a graduate degree in public health.

William M. Buster is director of Mississippi and New Orleans Programming at the W.K. Kellogg Foundation in Battle Creek, Michigan. In this role, he is responsible for leadership and vision in program conceptualization, design, planning, management, coordination, communication, evaluation, policy and learning of all grantmaking in Mississippi and New Orleans. Buster supports and facilitates the community change process within the region in alignment with the

foundation's mission and strategic framework, in collaboration and partnership with grantees and other external partners. Buster has more than 15 years of philanthropic experience in supporting and developing community advocacy, cross-community and cross-organization collaboration and economic development efforts. He also has extensive experience in supporting organizational development and capacity-building for nonprofits and nonprofit leaders.

Frank Catalanotto, DMD, is currently a Professor of the Department of Community Dentistry and Behavioral Science at the UF College of Dentistry. He graduated from the College of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey in 1968 and completed a post-doctoral research fellowship in pediatric dentistry at Harvard School of Dental Medicine and Children's Hospital Medical Center in Boston. He has been on the faculty of five dental schools including UFCD where he served as Dean from 1995-2002. While Dean, he initiated the UF Statewide Network for Community Health to provide increased community based educational opportunities for dental students and residents, while also significantly increasing access to oral health care for underserved patients. He also served as Chair of the Department of Community Dentistry at UFCD from 2009-2015. Dr. Catalanotto is the co-author of more than 90 scientific publications and has been the principal investigator or co-investigator for numerous federal, state and foundation grants. His academic and professional interests include community based dental education, ethics/social responsibility, advocacy for health care reform and access to dental care. His current advocacy efforts

are focused on the new emerging workforce models in collaboration with the Kellogg Foundation and the PEW Children's Oral Health Initiative.

Glenda Wrenn MD, MSHP, is director of the Division of Behavioral Health for the Satcher Health Leadership Institute at Morehouse School of Medicine. Dr. Wrenn provides oversight and leadership to the Division's existing initiatives, develop grant proposals and manuscripts to enhance the impact of ongoing programs, and further expands the Division.

Dr. Wrenn, an Assistant Professor in the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences most recently served as the Associate Residency Training Director in the Department of Psychiatry. She completed undergraduate education at the United States Military Academy at West Point; earned her medical degree from Jefferson Medical College, and completed psychiatry residency at the University of Pennsylvania where she was Chief Resident. Dr. Wrenn earned a Master of Science in Health Policy Research from the University of Pennsylvania during her tenure as a Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholar. Dr. Wrenn is committed to fostering resilient outcomes among disadvantaged populations using policy-relevant research approaches. She is active in mentoring students and residents, and committed to building collaborations across systems of care, disciplines, and professions to solve complex mental health challenges. As a junior investigator, Dr. Wrenn has authored/co-authored 9 peer-reviewed manuscripts, 2 book chapters, and presented her work at local, regional, and national conferences. She is serves as reviewer for several journals

and is active on regional and national committees.

Rueben C. Warren, DDS, MPH, DrPH, MDiv, is currently the Director of the National Center for Bioethics in Research and Health Care and Professor of Bioethics at Tuskegee University in Tuskegee, Alabama. He also served as Director of the Institute for Faith-Health Leadership and Adjunct Professor of Public Health, Medicine and Ethics at the Interdenominational Theological Center (ITC) in Atlanta, GA.

Dr. Warren held several leadership positions at the Centers for Disease Control. Dr. Warren also served as Dean and Associate Professor in the School of Dentistry, Department of Preventive Dentistry and Community Health, at Meharry Medical College in Nashville, Tennessee. He is also Clinical Professor, Department of Community Health/Preventive Medicine, Morehouse School of Medicine and Adjunct Professor, Department of Behavioral Sciences and Health Education, Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University, both in Atlanta, Georgia. Dr. Warren is also Adjunct Professor in the Department of Dental Public Health, School of Dentistry and Adjunct Professor in the School of Graduate Studies and Research at Meharry Medical College in Nashville, TN and Georgia Health Sciences University in Augusta, GA.

Dr. Warren earned his undergraduate degree from San Francisco State University, his dental degree from Meharry Medical College, and both masters and doctorate degrees from the Harvard School of Public Health. He also completed a two-year residency at the Harvard School of Dental Medicine in Dental Public Health. He is board certified in Dental Public Health. Dr. Warren also completed a Master of Divinity (M. Div) from the Interdenominational Theological Center with a concentration in theology and ethics. Dr. Warren is an ordained minister.

His extensive public health experience at community, state, local, national, and international levels range from clinical and research work in the Lagos University Teaching Hospital in Lagos, Nigeria, to heading the Public Health Dentistry Program at the Mississippi State Department of Health.

Nicole I. Wanty, M.A.A., is a research associate at KDH Research & Communication, a public health and public policy research institution in Atlanta, Georgia. Her research areas include drug abuse education and prevention, health literacy, and vulnerable populations. Since 2010, she has coordinated the development and evaluation of multiple public health resources, including Dientes Fuertes, Vida Sana, a culturally-competent program to prevent early childhood tooth decay in low-income Latino children. Ms. Wanty received

her Master of Applied Anthropology from the University of Maryland, College Park.

Jane Grover, DDS, MPH, is the Director of the Council on Access Prevention and Interprofessional Relations for the American Dental Association. She received her dental degree and Master's in Public Health from the University of Michigan. Prior to joining the ADA, Dr. Grover was the Dental Director of an FQHC in Michigan, adjunct faculty of the University of Michigan School of Dentistry and AEGD residency director for Lutheran Medical Center.

Nancy Zachary, MPH, has worked for Redlands Christian Migrant Association (RCMA) for 22 years and was recently promoted to the Director of Health Services. She holds a Master's degree in Public Health and a graduate certificate as an Infant/Toddler Developmental specialist. The largest non-profit child-care provider in Florida, RCMA is a leader in high-quality early childhood services. RCMA operates 71 child-care centers and 3 charter schools in 21 Florida counties.

Oscar Arevalo, DDS, ScD, MBA, MS, is an attending and assistant director of the pediatric dentistry residency program at the Nicklaus Children's Hospital - formerly known as Miami Children's Hospital. In addition to clinical and teaching responsibilities, he oversees the research component of the residency program. Oscar is an active member of the American Association of Public Health Dentistry, American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry and the American Public Health Association where serves as past chair of the Oral Health Section. He has lectured nationally and

internationally and published on topics including health disparities, delivery and financing of dental care; program evaluation; educational, training, and workforce issues; and advocacy, implementation, and evaluation of oral health policy. Oscar serves as executive editor of two uprising online dental public health journals and peer-reviewer for multiple journals. He is a Diplomate of the American Board of Dental Public Health and is board eligible of the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry.

Michelle Staples-Horne MD, MS, MPH, has been Medical Director for the Georgia Department of Juvenile Justice for over twenty years and is responsible for the clinical supervision of health services to 1200 youth served daily by the Department in 28 facilities across the state. She received her Medical Degree from the Morehouse School of Medicine and her Master of Public Health in Health Policy and Management from Emory University in Atlanta. She holds both a Bachelor of Science Degree and a Master of Science Degree in Biology from Clark Atlanta University with research experience in Biochemistry and Microbiology. Her clinical experience includes Pediatrics at Columbia University's Babies Hospital in New York and Preventive Medicine at Morehouse School of Medicine. Dr. Staples-Horne serves on the Board of Commissioners, Juvenile, and Health Care Committees of the American Correctional Association. Dr. Staples-Horne has conducted training, consultation and

contributed several articles and book chapters on correctional health care.

Cynthia Ditslear, DDS, graduated from the Indiana University School of Dentistry with a Doctor of Dental Surgery degree in 1994 and subsequently worked as a clinical instructor at the IU Dental School and in private practice. She moved to Georgia in 1996 when her husband accepted a position with the Medical College of Georgia (now GRU) College of Dental Medicine, where she worked as a civilian dentist with The Department of Defense, as well as part-time private practice. In 2001 Dr. Ditslear began her career with the Georgia Department of Corrections and was appointed as Statewide Dental Director for GDC in 2010. During her tenure as Dental Director, GDC has added dental clinics for two of Georgia's state prisons, with a third underway. Additionally, hygiene services for Georgia's prison population were increased by hiring additional Dental Hygienists and expanding agreements with regional Technical College Dental Hygiene Programs. Dr. Ditslear remains active in organized dentistry and Medical Campus Outreach, a faith-based organization that encourages young professionals to give back to society with their talents.

Debra M. Wilson, DDS, has been a committed dental professional for 30 plus years. She received her Dental Degree at the University of Pittsburgh's School of Dental Medicine in 1979. Dr. Wilson currently serves as a lead dentist for Grady Healthcare System's Infectious Disease Program in

Atlanta, Georgia.

Dr. Wilson has an extensive expertise in both private healthcare and in the public health care sector. She served her country as a general dental officer at Robins AFB in Warner Robins. She has owned and operated a private practice also in Warner Robins. She has served the State of Georgia as the Dental Hygiene Program Administrator at Middle Georgia Technical College and as the Dental Director for Georgia's Department of Juvenile Justice

Dr. Wilson is a member of the American Dental Association, Georgia Dental Association, Georgia Dental Society, North Georgia Dental Society, The Links Inc. and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc

Jeffrey A. Parker is the Chief Executive Officer of DentaQuest Healthcare Delivery. He also serves as Chairman of Sarrell Dental in Alabama, Community Dental Care in Texas and Community Dental of Kentucky. Sarrell Dental is a self-sustaining 501(c) 3 that has grown to 17 offices and a mobile dental bus since its inception in 2004. Sarrell has been featured in Forbes, in a glowing Robert Wood Johnson Foundation report, featured in a PBS Frontline documentary and in an extensive 2015 article in Slate.

Prior to Sarrell Dental, Mr. Parker rose quickly through the corporate ranks. At age 31, Mr. Parker became a Sara Lee Corporation division President and at age 33, was CEO of two Sara Lee owned

companies. From there, he ran turnaround situations for two very large privately held consumer packaged goods companies, before retiring at age 40. After retirement, Mr. Parker returned to his alma mater to teach at their nationally accredited business school. He taught at the undergraduate and MBA level as their Executive in Residence until December, 2013. Through his funding of a perpetual scholarship at his alma mater, he has helped send over 75 students to Jacksonville State University.

In December 2013, HealthLeaders Magazine named Mr. Parker one of the top 20 Healthcare Leaders in America. Recent honorees have included T. Boone Pickens and Nancy Pelosi. Mr. Parker is the first person from dentistry ever to be selected to the top 20 list.

In 2014, Mr. Parker is the first person from the US dental field to be named an Ashoka Fellow for his work as a social entrepreneur. Both 2015 Noble Peace Prize winners are also Ashoka Fellows.

In May, 2015 Mr. Parker delivered the commencement address at the Arizona School of Dentistry and Oral Health where the university awarded him with an honorary doctorate.

Karl Self, DDS, MBA, earned his DDS degree from the University of Minnesota's School of Dentistry, and his MBA from the University of Minnesota's Carlson School of Management. He was selected to be the Director of the University of Minnesota

School of Dentistry's newly created Division of Dental Therapy in 2010. In addition to managing all aspects of the operation of this program, he is engaged in teaching dental, dental therapy, and dental hygiene students. Dr. Self's prior experiences include being the executive director of a Federally Qualified Healthcare Center in Minneapolis, a consultant for the Minnesota Department of Human Services' Medical Assistance program, and the Director of Inclusivity and Diversity for the University of Minnesota School of Nursing.

Angelica Afcan, DHAT, is from Nunam Iqua, Alaska. She graduated from Mt. Edgecumbe High School in May of 2008. Angelica moved to Anchorage to begin her post-secondary education at the University of Alaska towards a degree in Biological Sciences. She began a career with Southcentral Foundation as an Administrative Assistant in August of 2009. Angelica desired experience in the dental field pushed by her goal at the time of becoming a dentist. She was accepted into Southcentral Foundation's Dental Assistant Training Program and set foot into her dental career in August of 2010. Learning about the DHAT program from prior DHAT students, her dream to brighten the smiles of her people was born. Angelica was accepted into the DHAT program and began her journey in July of 2012. Angelica graduated from the DHAT program in June of 2014 and began her career with Yukon Kuskokwim Health Corporation as a Dental Health Aide Therapist. She now lives and works in Hooper Bay, serving the communities of Scammon Bay, Chevak and Hooper Bay Alaska.

David Jordan, Project Director, Dental Access Project, Community Catalyst, leads a national campaign to expand access to dental care by initiating and supporting state campaigns to establish the practice of dental therapists. David oversees the project's political strategy, state field operations and strategic and operational relations with collaborating partners. Prior to joining Community Catalyst, David served as chief of staff to a Massachusetts state senator and led integrated communications campaigns at Solomon McCown & Company. He also managed the successful MassACT! ballot campaign, which in part led to Massachusetts' landmark 2006 health care law. David is a veteran of electoral politics and has worked on local, state and national campaigns. He is a graduate of Emerson College

Sarah Wovcha, JD, MPH, is the Executive Director of Children's Dental Services in Minneapolis, Minnesota's largest provider of school and Head Start-based dental care. Nearly 100 years old, Children's Dental Services has consistently been on the forefront of dental innovations including being the first practice in Minnesota to apply sealants to children receiving Medical Assistance, the first on-site dental provider in Head Start settings in the nation, and the first employer of dental therapists in the lower 48 United States. Children's Dental Services has received the 2007 Non-Profit Innovation Award, the 2008 Minnesota

Governor's Green Award, the 2014 Eide Bailly Resourcefulness Award, and the 2015 Public Health Heroes Award. Ms. Wovcha received the Betty Hubbard Maternal and Child Health Leadership Award in 2009 and the Macalester College Distinguished Citizen Award in 2013. She holds a Juris Doctorate from the University of Minnesota Law School and a Master of Public Health degree from the Harvard School of Public Health. As a legislative advocate, Ms. Wovcha was closely involved with the passage and implementation of Minnesota's 2009 pioneering dental therapy legislation.

Jeanne C. Sinkford, DDS, PhD, is Senior Scholar-in-Residence, Office of the President and CEO of the American Dental Education Association. She is also Professor and Dean Emeritus, Howard University College of Dentistry. She is a nationally and internationally renowned dental educator, administrator, researcher and clinician. Dr. Sinkford's distinguished career in dental education includes serving as the First woman Dean of an American dental school. She is a member of the Institute of Medicine NAS and a life member of the NDA.