Biographies of Conference Speakers

Amy P. Abernethy, MD

Amy P. Abernethy, MD, a medical oncologist, is a tenured Associate Professor in Duke University Schools of Medicine and Nursing and Director of the Duke Cancer Care Research Program (DCCRP). With over 250 publications, Dr. Abernethy is an internationally recognized expert in health services research and delivery in patient-centered cancer care, especially pain, symptom management and palliative care. She directs a prolific research program (DCCRP) which conducts patient-centered clinical trials, analyses, and policy studies; all DCCRP studies make use of, and simultaneously contribute to the development of, an integrated data system that coordinates diverse datasets, leverages novel information technology for patient-reporting of symptoms and other concerns, informs future studies, and facilitates patient education and patient-provider communication. As a part of her focus on health policy, evidence synthesis, and comparative effectiveness research, particularly within the areas of oncology and palliative care, Dr. Abernethy is Co-Chair and Co-Principal Investigator of the National Institutes of Health(NIH)-funded Palliative Care Research Cooperative Group (PCRC), an appointee to the Institute of Medicine’s National Cancer Policy Forum, President-Elect of the American Academy of Hospice & Palliative Medicine, on the Board of Directors for the Personalized Medicine Coalition, and Co-Principal Investigator of a NIH-funded faculty development (K01) program in comparative effectiveness research at Duke. Within the American Society of Clinical Oncology, she is on the Advisory Board for the Rapid Learning System for Cancer, the Clinical Guidelines Committee, and the Provision Clinical Opinion Committee for Palliative Care. Dr. Abernethy participates integrally in current high-level national and international discussions about reforming the evidence development system, presenting a model for a rapid learning cancer clinic that coordinates clinical and research functions to better serve patients’ needs in an evidence-driven, cost-effective, and patient-centered manner.

Tim Ahles, PhD

Tim Ahles, PhD Tim Ahles received his PhD in Clinical Psychology from the State University of New York at Albany. Following completion of his internship at the University of Mississippi Medical Center, he joined the faculty of the Department of Psychiatry of the University of Illinois College of Medicine at Peoria (1982). In 1986, he joined the Department of Psychiatry of Dartmouth Medical School. Over the next 20 years, he developed and directed the Center for Psycho-Oncology Research (1992-2006) which focused on quality of life and symptom management research in cancer patients. In April 2006, he moved to Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center to develop and direct the Neurocognitive Research Laboratory. Dr. Ahles’ research has focused on symptom management (eg., pain management) and quality of life in cancer patients. Over the last 20 years, his research has focused on cognitive side effects of chemotherapy in patients with breast cancer and lymphoma. These studies have included cross-sectional and longitudinal studies of chemotherapy-induced cognitive change utilizing neuropsychological assessments and structural and functional MRI, examination of genetic factors that increase risk for cognitive changes, and the evaluation of cognitive behavioral...
interventions. The goals of the Neurocognitive Research Laboratory at Memorial are to: 1) examine neuropsychological changes associated with cancer and cancer treatments, including chemotherapy, hormonal therapy, and radiation therapy; 2) evaluate potential mechanisms of cognitive change through studies utilizing imaging techniques (fMRI and PET) and evaluating potential biological mechanisms; and 3) develop a research program to evaluate medical and cognitive rehabilitation interventions. Dr. Ahles has over 25 years of mentoring graduate and medical students, post-doctoral fellows and junior faculty on research projects related to psycho-oncology in general and cognitive effects of cancer and cancer treatments in particular.

Catherine Alfano, PhD

Catherine M. Alfano, PhD, is the Deputy Director of the National Cancer Institute’s Office of Cancer Survivorship. Dr. Alfano earned her PhD in clinical psychology with an emphasis in behavioral medicine from the University of Memphis. She completed her residency in clinical psychology at the University of Washington Medical Center. Following her residency, she completed a clinical fellowship in psycho-oncology at the Seattle Cancer Care Alliance as well as an NCI-funded post-doctoral research fellowship in Biobehavioral Cancer Prevention and Control at the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center & the University of Washington. Dr. Alfano’s research interests focus on transdisciplinary cancer rehabilitation and survivorship. Specifically, her research aims to promote healthy behavior change in survivors including physical activity, healthy diets, stress management, and smoking cessation; develop and test interventions that prevent or ameliorate the chronic and late effects of cancer and treatment; and determine the biobehavioral interrelationships between cancer-related symptoms, healthy behaviors, energy balance, and immune and endocrine functioning which may influence cancer prognosis.

Sonia Ancoli-Israel, PhD

Sonia Ancoli-Israel, Ph.D. is a Professor in the Departments of Psychiatry and Medicine at the University of California San Diego (UCSD) School of Medicine, Director of Education at the Sleep Medicine Center at UCSD and Deputy Director of the UCSD Stein Institute for Research on Aging. Dr. Ancoli-Israel received her Ph.D. in Psychology from the University of California, San Francisco. Dr. Ancoli-Israel’s expertise is in the field of sleep disorders and sleep research in aging and chronic illness. Dr. Ancoli-Israel is Past-President of the Sleep Research Society, Past-President of the Society for Light Treatment and Biological Rhythms, and was on the founding Executive Board of the National Sleep Foundation. She was honored in 2007 with the National Sleep Foundation Life Time Achievement Award and the Sleep Research Society Mary A. Carskadon Outstanding Educator Award. Dr. Ancoli-Israel is published regularly in medical and psychiatric journals with over 300 publications in the field.

Barbara L. Andersen, PhD

Barbara L. Andersen is a Professor in the Department of Psychology and Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology (joint) at the Ohio State University and member of immunology and cancer prevention and control programs of the OSU Comprehensive Cancer Center. First to propose the Biobehavioral Model of Cancer Stress and Disease Course (1994), she has
authored three books and over 150 research articles in clinical psychology and cancer control. While at the University of Iowa she received the Distinguished Faculty Award in Teaching (1985) and the Distinguished Scholar Award in Research (1988). Since moving to Ohio State in 1989 she has received the Distinguished Scholar Award (2000) and the Distinguished Lecturer Award (2003). For the OSU CCC she was the Director of the Behavioral Measurement Shared Resource and for the Livestrong Survivorship Center of Excellence (2008-2011). Other awards include the Senior Investigator Award for Outstanding Contributions in Health Psychology from APA (2003), the Minton Hero of Hope Medal of Honor from the ACS (Ohio, 2004), and Fellow status in AAAS (2004). She holds an NIH/NCI (K05) Research Career Award (Established Investigator Award in Cancer Prevention, Control, Behavioral, and Population Sciences (2004-09, 2010-2015).

Neeraj Arora, PhD

Dr. Neeraj K. Arora is a research scientist and program director in the Outcomes Research Branch of the Applied Research Program, Division of Cancer Control and Population Sciences at the National Cancer Institute (NCI), NIH, USA. He has more than 15 years of experience in conducting research that focuses on the patient’s perspective and aims to facilitate the delivery of high quality “patient-centered” cancer care. His research integrates the areas of health communication, outcomes research, and cancer survivorship. Dr. Arora’s research expertise includes the assessment of patient-reported outcomes such as patients’ experiences and satisfaction with care, their information needs and information seeking behavior, and their health-related quality of life. His research also focuses on the measurement, determinants, and impact of patient-clinician communication across the cancer continuum. At the NCI, Dr. Arora leads a research program aimed at facilitating the ongoing assessment, monitoring, and improvement of patient-centered care processes as part of routine cancer care delivery. He is also the project scientist for NCI’s CanCORS initiative, one of the largest evaluations of quality of care delivered to lung and colorectal cancer patients and survivors in the U.S. Dr. Arora received his Ph.D. in Industrial Engineering with a major in Health Systems from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He has published over 50 articles in peer-reviewed journals in the broad areas of health communication, quality of care and outcomes research, as well as cancer survivorship. He is also a 18 year survivor of Non Hodgkin’s Lymphoma.

Hoda Badr, PhD

Although cancer is a family disease, most psycho-oncology research has focused on patients without taking into account the family and psychosocial context in which coping and adjustment occurs. What distinguishes my work in the field of psycho-oncology is its focus on the dyad. Specifically, my research examines the influence of social support and relationship processes on the psychosocial adjustment and quality of life (QOL) of cancer patients and their spouses, partners, and family caregivers. My goal is to identify the mechanisms by which marital interactions affect health and well-being and to develop psychosocial interventions to target those mechanisms and promote couple adjustment across the cancer prevention and control continuum.
Ellen Burke Beckjord, PhD, MPH

Ellen Burke Beckjord, PhD, MPH is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Psychiatry at the University of Pittsburgh working in the Biobehavioral Medicine in Oncology Program at the University of Pittsburgh Cancer Institute and an Adjunct Behavioral and Social Sciences Researcher at the RAND Corporation. Her doctoral work in clinical psychology at the University of Vermont focused on behavioral oncology and she completed her clinical internship at the Vanderbilt-VA Internship Consortium. Dr. Beckjord did her post-doctoral training at the National Cancer Institute (NCI) in the Cancer Prevention Fellowship Program. Her first year of fellowship was spent obtaining an MPH in Epidemiology and Biostatistics at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, and she went on to join the Health Communication and Informatics Research Branch (HCIRB) in NCI’s Division of Cancer Control and Population Sciences under the mentorship of HCIRB Branch Chief, Dr. Bradford Hesse. Dr. Beckjord’s research has focused on health communication, health information management among chronically ill individuals, and the development of health education materials. Her current research aims to promote an effective health information environment that positively impacts health behavior and outcomes across multiple contexts, and she has specific interests in the use of eHealth applications to improve behavioral interventions and in applying technology-mediated social participation to promote measure standardization and data harmonization in cancer research.

Keith Bellizzi, PhD, MPH

Keith M. Bellizzi, PhD, MPH, is an Associate Professor in the Department of Human Development and Family Studies at the University of Connecticut (UConn) with a joint appointment in the Center for Public Health and Health Policy. Prior to joining UConn, Dr. Bellizzi was a Health Scientist in the Office of Cancer Survivorship at the National Cancer Institute (NCI) and a graduate of NCI’s Cancer Prevention Fellowship Program. He is Associate Editor of the journal, Translational Behavioral Medicine: Practice, Policy and Research and Editor of the Cancer and Aging Handbook: Research and Practice. His research focuses on understanding the needs and quality of life of adult cancer survivors; the role health behaviors play in attenuating late health effects of cancer; the impact of cancer on the family; and resilience and posttraumatic growth in the aftermath of a cancer diagnosis. Dr. Bellizzi’s research has been published in high impact peer-reviewed journals and his work and service has received national and international press coverage, including the Washington Post, Los Angeles Times, The Philadelphia Inquirer, the Australian Financial Review, and Yomiuri Shimbun (Tokyo). He is the recipient of the 2008 Lorraine Wetherell Distinguished Alumni Award, The 2009 American Psychosocial Oncology Society "New Investigator" award, as well as being recognized as one of UConn's "40 under 40" Outstanding Graduates.

Ann M. Berger, PhD, APRN, AOCNS® FAAN

Ann M. Berger, PhD, APRN, AOCNS® FAAN is a Professor, Dorothy Hodges Olson Endowed Chair and Clinical Nurse Specialist- Oncology; Director of the PhD Program, University of Nebraska Medical Center, College of Nursing Omaha, Nebraska. Dr Berger has been actively researching fatigue and sleep-wake disturbances in cancer patients since 1992. She currently serves as Team Captain of the National Comprehensive Cancer Network (NCCN) Guidelines panel on Cancer-Related Fatigue, as a member of the NCI Symptoms and Quality of Life
Fatigue Working Group, and as the researcher on the Oncology Nursing Society Putting Evidence into Practice (PEP) Sleep-Wake Disturbances Team. She has authored numerous articles and presented at international, national, regional and local meetings on these topics.

**Leslie Bernstein, PhD**

Dr. Leslie Bernstein is Professor and Director of the Division of Cancer Etiology within the Department of Population Sciences, Beckman Research Institute and the City of Hope Comprehensive Cancer Center. She also serves as Dean for Faculty Affairs at the City of Hope. Prior to joining the City of Hope in 2007, Dr. Bernstein spent 25 years on the faculty at the Keck School of Medicine at the University of Southern California where she also served as Dean for Faculty Affairs for 8 years and University Vice Provost for 2 years. For the past 15 years, Dr. Bernstein has focused her efforts on mentoring the next generation of cancer prevention scientists, creating programs for PhD students, clinical and postdoctoral fellows, and junior faculty at USC, the City of Hope and Claremont Graduate University to enhance their training experiences and address issues pertinent to their future careers. Dr. Bernstein’s research focuses primarily on breast cancer, seeking to identify modifiable lifestyle factors that will reduce incidence and extend survival. She has also pursued research investigating the long-term chronic disease outcomes of therapeutic regimens for breast cancer. Dr. Bernstein leads the California Teachers Study, a prospective cohort of 133,479 female public school professionals formed in 1995 to study breast and other cancers. As the study’s principal investigator, she manages a broad collaboration of 22 investigators at four cancer centers and personally leads research efforts in breast cancer and non-Hodgkin lymphoma (NHL). She is an active participant in a number of national and international research collaborations that focus on various genetic and lifestyle or environmental predictors of breast cancer and NHL risk and survival. Dr. Bernstein has received numerous prestigious awards for her research accomplishments including awards from the American Association for Cancer Research (Prevent Cancer Award), Susan G. Komen for the Cure (Brinker Award), the American Society for Preventive Oncology (Distinguished Achievement Award), the National Cancer Institute (Rosalind E. Franklin Award) and the American College of Epidemiology (Abraham Lilienfeld Award).

**Sharon Bober, PhD**

Sharon Bober is the Founder and Director of the Sexual Health Program at the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute and Assistant Professor of Psychiatry, Harvard Medical School. The DFCI Sexual Health Program is a multi-disciplinary program providing consultation and treatment for male and female survivors cancer survivors. Dr. Bober’s work in the area of cancer survivorship and sexual health focuses on developing effective interventions for patients and survivors. She also regularly speaks with health professionals about how to speak with patients about sex in a frank and straightforward manner.
Ulrike Boehmer, PhD

Ulrike Boehmer is an Associate Professor in the Community Health Sciences Department at Boston University School of Public Health. Her research focuses on cancer survivorship and much of her work in cancer disparities focuses on sexual orientation. She has been and continues to be the PI on a number of grants that investigate sexual orientation disparities in cancer, assessing quality of life, sexual functioning, but also differences in the cancer burden defined as cancer incidence and cancer mortality. Given the lack of surveillance data on sexual orientation, she has developed innovative methodological approaches to examine these questions.

Julienne Bower, PhD

Julienne E. Bower Ph.D. is an internationally recognized expert on cancer-related fatigue and has conducted pioneering work on the biological mechanisms of fatigue during and after cancer treatment, with a focus on inflammation and HPA axis function. Dr. Bower has documented the role of inflammatory processes in fatigue during and after cancer treatment and identified genetic, cellular, and molecular processes that underlie inflammation and post-treatment fatigue. Her research also examines targeted interventions for fatigue and other behavioral symptoms in cancer survivors, focusing on biological mechanisms. Dr. Bower’s contributions to the field have been recognized with awards from the American Psychological Association and the Psychoneuroimmunology Research Society.

Cathy Bradley, PhD

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Joanna Brell, MD

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Natasha Buchanan, PhD

Natasha Buchanan, PhD Natasha Buchanan is a Behavioral Scientist in the Division of Cancer Prevention and Control (DCPC) at the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and Prevention. Dr. Buchanan serves as the technical lead and or project collaborator on several cancer survivorship projects focusing on children and adolescents, breast cancer in young women, and evaluation of community based programs for survivors. Dr. Buchanan holds Bachelor of Arts degrees in Psychology and Spanish from Spelman College and Masters of Arts and Doctorate of Philosophy Degrees in Clinical Psychology from the University of Cincinnati. She completed predoctoral and postdoctoral fellowships in Pediatric Health Psychology at Emory University School of Medicine and at the Yale University Child Study Center/ Yale University School of Medicine, where she was also an Edward Zigler Child Development and Social Policy fellow. Dr. Buchanan has been honored by the American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) and the Southeastern Psychological Association for her research in the health psychology and she has published journal articles, abstracts and book chapters examining psychosocial and
neuropsychological factors associated with cancer diagnosis, treatment and long-term survivorship.

Linda Burhansstipanov, DrPH

Linda Burhansstipanov, MSPH, DrPH (Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma) has worked in public health since 1971. She was university faculty for 18 years before working at the NCI. She is the founder for Native American Cancer Initiatives, Incorporated and Native American Cancer Research Corporation. She serves on federal advisory boards and has over 100 peer-reviewed publications.

Jackie Casillas, MD, MSHS

Dr. Casillas is Associate Professor of Pediatrics at the David Geffen School of Medicine at the University of Los Angeles (UCLA) in the Division of Hematology-Oncology. At UCLA, she is the Director of UCLA’s Pediatric Cancer Survivorship Program, co-director of the UCLA-LIVESTRONG™ Survivorship Center of Excellence and co-director of the Patients and Survivors Scientific Program area at UCLA’s Jonsson Comprehensive Cancer Center’s (JCCC), an NCI-funded cancer center. She is a health services researcher whose efforts focus on the development of novel interventions to improve their quality of life and quality of care for adolescent and young adult cancer survivors.

We-ying Sylvia Cho, PhD, MPH

Wen-Ying Sylvia Chou, PhD, MPH, is a Program Director in the Health Communication and Informatics Research Branch (HCIRB) of the National Cancer Institute. Her research interests include technologies and social media for health, patient-provider communication, and end-of-life/palliative care communication. Trained as a sociolinguist, she has extensive experience conducting mixed methods research on patient-provider interactions and illness narratives. As a Program Director, she supervises a portfolio of research on health literacy, patient-centered communication, health disparities, and the impact of technologies on clinical care and public health. Dr. Chou completed a post-doctoral fellowship through NCI’s Cancer Prevention Fellowship Program; she holds a MS and PhD in Linguistics from Georgetown University, and a Master of Public Health from the Interdisciplinary MPH program at UC Berkeley.

Steven B. Clauser, PhD

Steven Clauser, Ph.D., is Chief of the Outcomes Research Branch in the National Cancer Institute’s (NCI) Division of Cancer Control and Population Sciences. Dr. Clauser directs NCI’s research program in outcomes research, quality of care, and program evaluation. His research interests are in patient reported outcome of care, measurement of the clinical effectiveness of cancer care delivery, and evaluation methods and applications in complex cancer care delivery programs. Prior to coming to NCI, Dr. Clauser served in a variety of management and policy research positions in the Department of Defense and with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. Dr. Clauser currently directs several programs that are relevant to cancer survivorship research. These include the Patient Reported Measurement Information System
which is developing indicators and item banks that can be used when patient reported outcomes are relevant end points in cancer survivorship studies; two SEER linkage projects, the SEER-Medicare Health Outcomes Survey, which supports surveillance research on the health-related quality of life of cancer survivors enrolled in Medicare Advantage Programs, and the SEER-Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems survey which will support research on the patient experience of cancer survivors in Medicare managed care and fee-for-service. His branch also sponsors the Cancer Consortium on Outcomes Research and Surveillance which is conducting a national multilevel longitudinal population-based quality of care study of 10,000 colorectal and lung cancer patients and survivors, currently focusing on research related to care giver support for survivors receiving care in community settings. Dr. Clauser serves on several relevant committees and national advisory panels in and has several peer-reviewed publications in areas related to survivorship care and health outcomes.

**Eric A. Coleman, MD, MPH**

Eric A. Coleman, MD, MPH, is Professor of Medicine and Head of the Division of Health Care Policy and Research at the University of Colorado at Denver. Dr. Coleman is the Director of the Care Transitions Program, aimed at improving quality and safety during times of care “handoffs”. He is also the Executive Director of the Practice Change Fellows Program, designed to build leadership capacity among health care professionals who are responsible for geriatric programs and service lines. Dr. Coleman received his medical degree from University of California San Francisco and completed residency in primary care internal medicine and fellowship in geriatric medicine and the Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholars Program at the University of Washington in Seattle. Dr. Coleman's bridges innovation and practice through: (1) enhancing the role of patients and caregivers in improving the quality of their care transitions across acute and post-acute settings; (2) measuring quality of care transitions from the perspective of patients and caregivers; (3) implementing system-level practice improvement interventions and (4) using health information technology to promote safe and effective care transitions.

**Marielle Scherrer-Crosbie, MD, PhD**

Marielle Scherrer-Crosbie, MD, PhD, is a cardiologist and echocardiographer at the Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston and Associate Professor in Medicine at Harvard medical School. Her research has included the development of novel ultrasound techniques to better understand the physiopathology of cardiovascular diseases. She has a longstanding interest in the detection of early heart failure and in the interactions of chemotherapy and heart failure. Over the last several years, she has been the PI on a multicenter prospective study investigating the value of echocardiographic and blood biomarkers in the prediction of cardiotoxicity in women treated with anthracyclines and trastuzumab. She is also co-directing a new cardio-oncology program at the MGH.

**Robert Croyle, PhD**

Robert Croyle, PhD, is the director of the Division of Cancer Control and Population Sciences (DCCPS) at the National Cancer Institute, part of the National Institutes of Health. In this role, he is responsible for overseeing a research portfolio covering a wide range of scientific domains.
and disciplines, including epidemiology and genomics, behavioral science, surveillance, cancer survivorship, and health services research. He previously served as the division’s associate director for the Behavioral Research Program. Before coming to NCI in 1998, he was professor of psychology and a member of the Huntsman Cancer Institute at the University of Utah in Salt Lake City. Prior to holding that position, he was a visiting investigator at the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center in Seattle, visiting assistant professor of psychology at the University of Washington, and assistant professor of psychology at Williams College in Massachusetts. Dr. Croyle received his PhD in social psychology from Princeton University. His research has examined how individuals process, evaluate, and respond to cancer risk information. His research has been published widely in professional journals in behavioral science, public health, and cancer, and he has edited two volumes: *Mental Representation in Health and Illness* (1991) and *Psychosocial Effects of Screening for Disease Prevention and Detection* (1995). He is co-editor of the *Handbook of Cancer Control and Behavioral Science* (2009) and co-author of *Making Data Talk: Communicating Data to The Public, Policy Makers and The Press* (2009).

**Idelle Davidson, MPA**

Idelle Davidson is an award-winning medical and general-interest journalist and co-author (with Dr. Dan Silverman at UCLA) of “Your Brain After Chemo: A Practical Guide to Lifting the Fog and Getting Back Your Focus.” Their book has been widely reviewed. The New York Times called it “Excellent... [with] a long list of suggestions to help people who are struggling with the cognitive effects of chemotherapy.” In 2009, the Wellness Community awarded Ms. Davidson the Pillar of Strength Award for her research and writing of Your Brain After Chemo and for her work on behalf of cancer survivors. Her health and general interest articles have appeared in Time, Los Angeles Magazine, UCLA Magazine, women’s and parenting magazines and in several medical publications, including those of Cedars-Sinai Medical Center. For three years she served as contributing editor to InTouch, a cancer prevention and treatment magazine. She is a recipient of the American Society of Journalists and Authors Outstanding Article of the Year Award for one of her cover stories in the Los Angeles Times Magazine profiling Craig Newmark, the founder of Craigslist. Website: www.IdelleDavidson.com.

**Janet S. de Moor, MPH, PhD**

Janet de Moor, MPH, PhD is a Program Director in the Office of Cancer Survivorship at the National Cancer Institute. Dr. de Moor’s research interests include the socioeconomic and psychosocial impact of a cancer diagnosis. Her recent work has focused on cancer survivors’ work outcomes, with an emphasis on characterizing the long-term patterns of employment in this population, as well as the intrapersonal-, workplace-, and clinical-level factors that influence cancer survivors’ work lives.

**Colleen Doyle, MS, RD**

Colleen Doyle, MS, RD is a Registered Dietitian who has worked in the health promotion field for over 20 years. As the Director of Nutrition and Physical Activity for the American Cancer Society, she has been instrumental in developing strategies to increase awareness of the importance of diet and exercise for chronic disease prevention and management, and to create changes in schools, worksites and communities that can help improve healthy lifestyles.
Colleen has extensive media and public speaking experience. She has appeared on national broadcasts, including CNN, Headline News, Discovery Health and the Do It Yourself Network, as well as numerous local news and cable television and radio shows on a regular basis. She is frequently quoted in nationwide publications including USA Today, the Washington Post, and the Los Angeles Times. She also been quoted in a variety of consumer magazines, including Better Homes and Gardens, Glamour, Cosmopolitan, Child, Parents, Fitness and others. Colleen is a co-author of The American Cancer Society’s Great American Eat Right Cookbook, and has contributed to a variety of other books, including The American Cancer Society’s Healthy Eating Cookbook, Kids First Cookbook, Celebrate! Healthy Entertaining for Any Occasion, Good For You! Reducing Your Risk of Developing Cancer, Eating Well, Staying Well During and After Cancer, What to Eat During Cancer Treatment, and Energy Balance and Cancer. She is a frequent presenter at both scientific and consumer meetings, and has authored numerous scientific and consumer articles on nutrition and physical activity. Colleen has a Bachelor of Science degree in nutrition from Miami University and a Masters of Science degree in Human Nutrition, with a minor in Exercise Science, from The Ohio State University. She is a member of the American Dietetic Association and its Sports, Cardiovascular and Wellness Nutrition, Weight Management, and Oncology Nutrition practice groups, as well as the American College of Sports Medicine.

**Jacqueline Dunbar-Jacob, PhD, RN, FAAN**

Dr. Jacqueline Dunbar-Jacob is the Dean at the University of Pittsburgh School of Nursing and Professor of Nursing, Psychology, Epidemiology, and Occupational Therapy. She is also director of a P01 program project grant from the NIH on translating interventions related to patient adherence and quality of life. She received her BSN from Florida State University, a master’s degree in psychiatric nursing from University of California at San Francisco, and her PhD in counseling psychology from Stanford University. She is a nurse/psychologist who has been involved in the study of patient adherence to treatment in individual studies and multi-center trials, addressing a variety of patient populations including rheumatological conditions, cardiovascular risk factors and diabetes, for over 30 years. She has served on three NIH safety and data monitoring boards; as a behavioral scientist for three NIH funded multi-center clinical trials; and on 20 NIH working groups addressing research agenda. She served on the NIH Prevention of Alzheimer’s Disease Consensus Panel and as a member of the technical expert panel for the AHRQ comparative effectiveness project on adherence interventions. Her work has been recognized with the PA Nightingale Award for research, the Pathfinders Award for research by the Friends of the NINR, and her induction into the Sigma Theta Tau International Inaugural Nurse Researcher Hall of Fame. Her current leadership roles include: President of Friends of National Institute of Nursing Research, and chair of the Advisory Board for the Institute for Health Care Communication. Dr. Dunbar-Jacob has also served as the chair of the AACN Task Force on the Future of the Research Focused Doctorate, co-chair of the Pennsylvania Center for Health Careers Supply-Demand Committee and chair of the Scientific Advisory Board for NIH Roadmap Initiatives for the Patient Reported Outcomes Measurement Information System [PROMIS]. Recently, she was a fellow in the Robert Woods Johnson Executive Nurse Fellows Program, a member of the National Institute of Nursing Research Advisory Council, as well as Past President of the Academy of Behavioral Medicine Research and Past President of the Society for Behavioral Medicine.
Emily Eargle, MSSW

Emily Eargle, MSSW Originally from Fort Worth, Texas, Emily received her bachelor’s degree in Sociology from Clemson University in Clemson, South Carolina in 2007 and her Master’s of Science in Social Work from The University of Texas at Austin in Austin, Texas in 2009. Joining LIVESTRONG in 2009, Emily began as Navigation Project Specialist. In this role, she coordinated collaborative projects pertaining to navigation services for people affected by cancer, including the LIVESTRONG Fertile Hope initiative that is dedicated to providing reproductive information, support and hope to cancer patients and survivors, and program evaluation for all navigation services. In 2012, Emily became Manager of National Navigation Services at LIVESTRONG, facilitating the day to day activities related to national service delivery including management of national partnerships and Navigators who provide the direct support to people affected by cancer.

Lynne W. Elmore, PhD

Lynne Elmore, PhD, is an Associate Professor in the Department of Pathology and is a member of the Massey Cancer Center and the Center for Biobehavioral Clinical Research at Virginia Commonwealth University. Dr. Elmore completed a BA at Vanderbilt University and a PhD in Pathology at Virginia Commonwealth University. She did her postdoctoral training in the Laboratory of Human Carcinogenesis at the National Cancer Institute. Dr. Elmore’s research focuses on the contribution of stromal constituents in breast cancer progression and in particular the role of mesenchymal stem cells within mammary fat, with the hope of developing stromal-based targeted therapies. Current investigations also relate to elucidating the mechanisms of cellular aging in normal and Progeria cells as well as reprogramming patient-derived cells for studying mechanisms underlying the development of psychoneurologic symptoms in women with breast cancer post-chemotherapy. In her spare time, Dr. Elmore enjoys attending sporting events and traveling with her husband and 3 sons.

Pamela Farley Short, PhD

Pamela Farley Short, an economist and Professor of Health Policy and Administration at Penn State University, is currently a sabbatical visitor at the National Cancer Institute in the Health Services & Economics Branch of the Applied Research Program. Dr. Short’s cancer research has focused on the economic consequences of surviving cancer, particularly emphasizing long-term effects on employment and medical care expenditures. She served on the Institute of Medicine committee that issued the 2005 report, “From Cancer Patient to Cancer Survivor: Lost in Transition.” Dr. Short is also known for her research and policy analyses concerning the uninsured, public and private insurance, and coverage reforms. She worked in the White House in the 1990’s during President Clinton’s reform initiative and, most recently, completed a policy brief in 2011 for The Commonwealth Fund on policy strategies for minimizing gaps and transitions in health insurance under the Affordable Care Act of 2010.

Louis Fehrenbacher, MD

Louis Fehrenbacher MD is a practicing hematologist/oncologist and medical director of the Kaiser Permanente Oncology Clinical Trials program in Northern California. He is involved with oncology quality improvement projects at a large integrated care delivery program, Kaiser
Permanente, Northern California. Research interests include clinical trial participation and recruitment, NCI Cooperative Group activities (NSABP and SWOG), and breast cancer treatment.

**Steve Finan**

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**Kathryn Flynn, PhD**

Kathryn Flynn, PhD is an assistant professor in psychiatry and behavioral sciences at the Duke University School of Medicine and a faculty member of the Duke Comprehensive Cancer Center and the Duke Clinical Research Institute. Dr Flynn was trained in sociology and population health sciences at the University of Wisconsin. Her research focuses on the development and analysis of patient-reported outcome measures. She is a co-investigator in the PROMIS Network, an NIH Roadmap initiative designed to create standardized, responsive measures of patient-reported outcomes for clinical trials. She is chair of the PROMIS Sexual Function domain group. The PROMIS SxF offers researchers a reliable and valid tool to measure self-reported sexual function and satisfaction among diverse men and women. The measure is customizable; researchers can select the relevant SxF domains and items comprising those domains for their study. PROMIS SxF version 1.0 was developed for cancer survivors. Development of version 2.0 expands content and the health groups it covers and will provide normed scores that correspond to a representative sample of English-speaking, sexually-active US adults.

**Thomas Force, MD**

Dr. Force is Professor of Medicine and Associate Director of the Center for Translational Medicine at Temple University School of Medicine. He received his A.B. from Harvard College, and his MD from Harvard Medical School. He completed his residency training in Internal Medicine at the University of Vermont, and his Cardiology fellowship at the West Roxbury VA Medical Center/Brigham & Women's Hospitals. He was at the Massachusetts General Hospital from 1986 to 2000 where he served as the Medical Director of the Cardiovascular Health Center (1986-1993) and as the Director of the Stress Testing Laboratories (1993-1996), and in addition directed a basic research effort focused on identifying molecular mechanisms regulating growth and death of cardiac myocytes. He moved to the Molecular Cardiology Research Institute at Tufts University in 2000 to continue that work as Director of the Cardiomyocyte Biology Laboratory. He was Professor of Medicine at Tufts from 2000-2005 and then moved to Philadelphia. He is an Established Investigator of the American Heart Association and is President Elect of the Heart Failure Society of America. He served on the editorial board of the Journal of Biological Chemistry (2000-2009) and is currently on the editorial boards of Circulation, Circulation Research, and Circulation Heart Failure. He recently chaired the Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy Working Group of the NHLBI which focused on defining new clinical and basic research initiatives in the study of the disease. He is on both the National Research Committee and the Basic Cardiovascular Sciences Council of the AHA.
Laura P. Forsythe, PhD, MPH

Dr. Forsythe is a postdoctoral fellow in the Cancer Prevention Fellowship Program at the National Cancer Institute. She joined the Office of Cancer Survivorship in September 2010. She completed her PhD in Clinical Psychology at the University of Alabama, with a special emphasis on health psychology. Dr. Forsythe earned her Master of Public Health at Johns Hopkins University, with a concentration in Epidemiology and Biostatistics. Dr. Forsythe’s research examines factors affecting psychological, social, and behavioral aspects of healthy cancer survivorship. She is particularly interested in investigating the influence of factors at multiple levels, including that of the survivor, their social environment, and their healthcare providers, to facilitate the development of a more effective approach to treating psychosocial needs in cancer survivors.

Cheryse Furman, PhD

Dr. Furman is an American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) Science and Technology Policy fellow in the Basic Biobehavioral and Psychological Sciences Branch (BBPSB) within the Division of Cancer Control and Population Sciences (DCCPS) at the National Cancer Institute (NCI). She has Bachelor of Science Degrees in Biology and Chemistry from the University of California, Irvine. She earned her Doctorate from the Department of Pharmacology at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. Cheryse’s dissertation research focused on elucidating the molecular mechanisms of amphetamine addiction. During her intramural postdoctoral fellowship at the National Institutes of Neurological Disorders and Stroke, she focused on the discovery of novel drug targets for the treatment of addiction. With the goal of contributing to the bridge between research and policy, Cheryse pursued a policy fellowship which led her to the BBPSB. During her AAAS Science and Technology Policy fellowship, Cheryse will be working with Dr. Paige McDonald on various projects including the NCI Network on Biobehavioral Pathways in Cancer and the Tobacco Control Monograph on tobacco related health disparities.

Russ Glasgow, PhD

Dr. Russell Glasgow is Deputy Director for Implementation Science in the Division of Cancer Control and Population Sciences at the National Cancer Institute (NCI). He is responsible for guiding some of NCI’s flagship research dissemination tools such as Cancer Control P.L.A.N.E.T, the Cancer Trends Progress Report, and State Cancer Profiles. Dr. Glasgow earned his Ph.D. and M.S. degrees in Clinical Psychology from the University of Oregon, Eugene. He is a behavioral scientist specializing in the design and evaluation of practical and generalizable behavior change interventions, especially using interactive technologies, for use in health care, worksite, and community settings. He has published over 400 articles and been the recipient of key awards in his field, including the Society of Behavioral Medicine’s Distinguished Scientist Award. Most recently, Dr. Glasgow was a senior scientist with Kaiser Permanente, Institute for Health Research before joining NCI.
Paul Greene, PhD

Dr. Greene is an Instructor in Cancer Prevention and Control. His research is primarily focused on the efficacy of cognitive-behavioral therapy (CBT) for difficulties faced by cancer survivors – whether they are in active treatment or are post-treatment. His research team completed a major clinical trial of CBT for posttraumatic anxiety in survivors of hematopoietic stem cell transplant, a procedure sometimes used in treatment of leukemia, lymphoma and other conditions. Results showed that CBT produced significant improvements in various types of anxiety and depression. Along with William Redd, Ph.D., Dr. Greene is currently leading a dissemination effort to train professionals in nursing, social work, and psychology to use CBT effectively for patients affected by cancer.

Kristina Hardy, PhD

Dr. Hardy received her doctorate in clinical psychology from Duke University in 2000. She currently works with pediatric cancer patients as a clinician and researcher in the Neuropsychology Division of Children’s National Medical Center, and is also on the faculty at the George Washington University School of Medicine in the Departments of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences and Pediatrics. Her research program involves the development, delivery, and assessment of interventions for pediatric cancer survivors with neurocognitive late effects. She is an active member of the Children’s Oncology Group, where she serves on the Behavioral Science and Cancer Control Steering Committees, and is also a member of the Childhood Cancer Survivor Study Psychology Advisory Group.

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Mark C. Hornbook, PhD

Mark C. Hornbook, PhD, is a health economist and Chief Scientist at Kaiser Permanente’s Center for Health Research. His research focuses on the determinants of medical care utilization, expenses, economic burden, health outcomes, and patient-centered outcomes in cancer, pregnancy, and other clinical domains. He has extensive experience with very large pooled cross-sectional/time-series patient-level health informatics systems, including electronic medical records, claims, encounters, disease registries, HRQOL assessments, and financial accounting. He is currently a co-Principal Investigator of the Cancer Research Network (CRN), collaboration among 14 research centers based in integrated delivery systems, and has served on the HMO Research Network’s Board of Directors since its founding. Dr. Hornbrook currently serves as the Principal Investigator of the CERTs Scientific Forum, which is working to create research and educational collaborations for the AHRQ CERTs Research Centers. These collaborations include work among the CERTs sites, with stakeholders, and with the larger therapeutics research and education community.
Paul Jacobsen, PhD

Dr. Jacobsen received his doctoral degree in Psychology (Clinical) from Michigan State University and completed post-doctoral training in psychosocial oncology at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center. In 1994, he was recruited to Moffitt Cancer Center to direct the clinical and research programs in psychosocial oncology and palliative care. He is currently Associate Center Director for Population Science at Moffitt and Professor of Psychology and Oncologic Sciences at the University of South Florida. For the past 25 years, his work has focused on using knowledge from the behavioral and social sciences to promote reductions in cancer risk, earlier detection of cancer, and improvements in quality of life following cancer diagnosis. Dr. Jacobsen is the author of more than 200 journal articles and the recipient of multiple research grants from the American Cancer Society and the National Cancer Institute. His current research focuses on understanding and addressing common quality of life problems in cancer survivors and on improving the quality of psychosocial and supportive care provided to people with cancer.

Lee Jones, PhD

Dr. Lee W. Jones is an Associate Professor in the Department of Radiation Oncology and Scientific Director of Cancer Survivorship at Duke Cancer Institute. Dr. Jones completed his Bachelor’s of Science (Hons) in Sport and Exercise Science at the University of Brighton (Eastbourne, East Sussex, England). In 1996, Dr. Jones moved to Canada where he completed his Masters of Science in Kinesiology at Lakehead University (Thunder Bay, Ontario, Canada) and his PhD and Postdoctoral Fellowship in Physical Education (Exercise Oncology) at the University of Alberta (Edmonton, Alberta, Canada). He joined the Duke University Medical Center in January 2005. Dr. Jones’s research program focuses on a translational approach to: (1) evaluate the cardiovascular / functional impact of cancer therapy, and efficacy of defined exercise training to prevent and/or treat dysfunction, and (2) elucidate the effects, and underlying systemic and molecular mechanisms, of defined aerobic training on tumor progression and metastatic dissemination. His research program is supported by the National Institutes of Health, American Cancer Society, and U.S. Department of Defense Breast Cancer Research Program.

Kimlin Tam Ashing-Giwa, PhD

Dr. Kimlin Tam Ashing-Giwa is professor and director of the Center of Community Alliance for Research and Education (CCARE) at City of Hope. She is a community minded researcher who is active in several cancer related organizations; she serves on the Executive council of Los Angeles American Cancer Society (ACS) and Los Angeles Komen for the Cure, and partners with various community based organizations to improve health outcomes and reduce health disparities among our diverse communities. Dr. Ashing-Giwa is the notable leader in examining cancer disparities, quality of life and cancer survivorship, and has published over 50 articles and book chapters. Dr. Ashing-Giwa examines relevant socioecological and cultural contexts as it relates to health outcomes and providing culturally competent health care. Her scholarship and life work is to understand and investigate how cultural, ethnic, ecological and systemic contexts influence health and mental health outcomes. Her work in this area is significant and innovative and guides much of the cross-cultural cancer research.
Virginia (Ginger) Krawiec, MPA

Virginia (Ginger) Krawiec, MPA, is a Director for the American Cancer Society Extramural Grants Department. She is responsible for seven American Cancer Society grant programs that support the clinical and/or research training of health professionals (nurses, physicians and social workers). These Health Professional Training Grants promote excellence in cancer prevention and control by providing incentive and support for highly qualified individuals in outstanding training programs or responsible for training. Ms. Krawiec also directs the Institutional Research Grant program. Ms. Krawiec joined the Society’s National Home Office in 1987 in New York City and subsequently relocated with ACS to Atlanta, Georgia. Prior to taking her current position, she was the administrator of the Sleep-Neuroendocrine Research Unit, a Mental Health Clinical Research Center at New York State Psychiatric Institute. Ms. Krawiec is a graduate of La Salle University and Long Island University, holding a bachelor’s degree in biology and a master’s degree in public administration. She is a New Jersey native, married to John Regan with whom she has one son, Brian.

Corinne Leach, MS, PhD, MPH

Dr. Corinne Leach is the Director of Cancer and Aging Research in the American Cancer Society’s Behavioral Research Center. She conducts original behavioral research in the area of cancer and aging and is involved with various components of the National Cancer Survivorship Resource Center. Dr. Leach is currently working on a multi-phase, mixed-method national project to identify and prioritize gaps in information and resources for cancer survivors as they transition from active treatment back to the community care setting. Her cancer and aging research focuses on utilizing mixed methods, namely quantitative and qualitative methods. Specifically, she aims to understand cancer screening in later life, the experience of older cancer survivors (including physical late effects, psychosocial issues, and health behaviors), the role of multiple chronic conditions in survivorship, and the experience of the families of cancer survivors. Dr. Leach received a bachelor’s degree in Psychology from Franklin & Marshall College, a Master’s degree in Experimental Psychology from Villanova University followed by a Doctoral degree in Gerontology from the University of Kentucky. She was a Cancer Prevention Fellow from 2008 to 2011 at the National Cancer Institute (Bethesda, MD), working in the Office of Cancer Survivorship. During the first year of her postdoctoral training she completed a Master of Public Health in Quantitative Methods from the Harvard School of Public Health.

Jennifer Ligibel, MD

Dr. Jennifer Ligibel is a medical oncologist in the Women’s Cancer Program at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute and Assistant Professor at Harvard Medical School. Her research focuses on the study of energy balance and cancer. Dr. Ligibel has conducted several exercise studies in cancer populations and has published on the impact of physical activity upon serum biomarkers, anthropometric measures and psychosocial outcomes. Other recent work has focused on the
relationship between obesity and outcomes in women with early breast cancer treated on adjuvant chemotherapy protocols. Dr. Ligibel has recently completed a multicenter study looking at the feasibility of a telephone-based physical activity intervention conducted in the context of a Co-operative Group, and is also directing a weight-loss intervention as part of a multicenter trial looking at the impact of novel treatment approaches in 660 women with residual breast cancer after neoadjuvant chemotherapy. Finally, Dr. Ligibel is involved in the Harvard Transdisciplinary Research in Energetics and Cancer initiative and co-directs a project looking at the impact of exercise and metformin on metabolic and inflammatory biomarkers in colorectal cancer survivors.

**Joseph Lipscomb, PhD**

Joseph Lipscomb, PhD, is Professor of Health Policy and Management and Georgia Cancer Coalition Distinguished Cancer Scholar at the Rollins School of Public Health at Emory University and Associate Director for Population Sciences at Emory’s Winship Cancer Institute. He has published widely on various topics in health economics and outcomes research, including on patient-reported outcomes assessment, quality-of-care evaluation and improvement, and the theory and practice of cost-effectiveness analysis. Dr. Lipscomb is currently principal investigator on two research grants from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, one examining optimal screening for those at elevated risk to breast and colorectal cancer and the other investigating the quality of cancer care in breast or prostate cancer across several U.S. states, including Georgia. Dr. Lipscomb is also principal investigator on a grant from the Association of Schools of Public Health and the CDC (funded by the National Cancer Institute) to link the Georgia cancer registry with multiple public and private administrative databases to support quality-of-care assessment. He serves on national committees to improve cancer outcomes and quality at both the American College of Surgeons’ Commission on Cancer and the American Cancer Society. From 1999 until arriving at Emory in 2004, Dr. Lipscomb was Chief of the Outcomes Research Branch at the NCI. From 1975 until joining NCI, he was on the faculty at Duke University in the Sanford School of Public Policy and the Department of Community and Family Medicine. From 1989-1992, he directed the VA Physician Requirements Study at the Institute of Medicine. From 1993-96, he was a member of the U.S. Panel on Cost-Effectiveness in Health and Medicine. He received his PhD in economics from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 1975, and a BA in mathematics from Vanderbilt University in 1970.

**Matt M. Longjohn, MD, MPH**

Matt Longjohn, M.D., M.P.H., is the Senior Director of Chronic Disease Prevention Programs at the YMCA of the USA. In that capacity, he oversees a number of efforts to prevent disease and promote healthy lifestyles. These programs include the YMCA’s Diabetes Prevention Program; the LIVESTRONG cancer survivorship program; and childhood obesity prevention programs such as JOIN and Salsa Sabor y Salud. Dr. Longjohn is also an Assistant Adjunct Professor in the Departments of Pediatrics and Preventive Medicine at Northwestern University’s Feinberg School of Medicine, and a public health program and policy development consultant to foundations, non-profits, and government agencies. Until recently, Longjohn was an Altarum Institute Fellow and Altarum’s Interim Co-Director of the Center for Healthy Child and Youth Development (CHCYD). As a Fellow, Longjohn directed the Childhood Obesity Prevention
Mission Project (CHOMP), which was a $2.5 million project focused on catalyzing early childhood obesity prevention efforts in nine states. CHOMP projects included efforts to build registry-based Body Mass Index surveillance systems, an evaluation of WIC food package change effects on small stores in four states, qualitative research on childcare providers’ practices under new physical activity and nutrition policies, and technical assistance to WIC clinics in two states to help them focus on patient health outcomes. He led Altarum’s efforts to facilitate the Early Childhood Track at the Partnership for a Healthier America’s Building a Healthier Future Summit. At Northwestern, Dr. Longjohn was the founding executive director of the Consortium to Lower Obesity in Chicago Children (CLOCC; www.clocc.net). Under his leadership, CLOCC grew to become a nationally recognized coalition of over 1,500 individuals representing more than 500 organizations. Longjohn’s efforts at CLOCC resulted in the drafting and passage of five state laws; the organization of Chicago’s Inter-Departmental Taskforce on Childhood Obesity; award winning communication tools; a city-wide and youth-led public education initiative; and numerous research and evaluation projects. Longjohn has also instructed medical students at Northwestern University and the Medial College of Wisconsin in physician advocacy, violence prevention, and health policy. As a consultant, Dr. Longjohn has served clients such as the Chicago Department of Public Health (CDPH), the Chicago Public Schools (CPS), the Michigan Department of Community Health, and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF). Recent work with these clients led to: the conduct of a mid-course assessment of RWJF’s $500 million strategy to reverse the national childhood obesity epidemic; a six-pronged multi-sector state policy agenda in Michigan that is supported by over 100 organizations; a Chicago City Council Ordinance establishing a high-level school-health partnership and shared public infrastructure between CDPH and CPS; and health-promoting regulations governing child care licensure in Chicago. Longjohn received his bachelor’s degree in biology from Kalamazoo College and his M.D. and M.P.H. from Tulane University.

Matthew J. Loscalzo, LCSW

Matthew J. Loscalzo is the Liliane Elkins Professor in Supportive Care Programs in the Department of Supportive Care Medicine and Professor in Department of Population Sciences. He is also the Executive Director of the Department of Supportive Care Medicine and the Administrative Director of the Sheri & Les Biller Patient and Family Resource Center at the City of Hope-National Medical Center, Duarte California. Professor Loscalzo has 29 years experience in caring for cancer patients and their families. He is recognized internationally as a pioneer in the clinical, educational, and research domains of psychosocial aspects of cancer. Professor Loscalzo was the President of the American Psychosocial Oncology Society and the Association of Oncology Social Workers. His areas of focus have been pain and palliative care, problem-based screening, gender-based medicine and problem solving therapies. Professor Loscalzo has held leadership positions at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, the Johns Hopkins Oncology Center, the Rebecca and John Moores Cancer Center at the University of California at San Diego and now at the City of Hope. He has created a number of highly integrated transdisciplinary biopsychosocial programs based on a unique staff leadership model.
Susan Lutgendorf, PhD

Dr. Lutgendorf is a Professor in the Departments of Psychology, Obstetrics and Gynecology, and Urology and member of the Holden Comprehensive Cancer Center at the University of Iowa. Her current work, funded by the National Cancer Institute, examines how factors such as stress, depression, and social support are linked to biological processes involved in angiogenesis, inflammation, and recurrence in ovarian cancer patients. Dr. Lutgendorf has also had substantial experience examining effects of behavioral and complementary interventions on quality of life and the immune response in cancer. Dr. Lutgendorf serves on the editorial boards of Brain, Behavior, and Immunity, Health Psychology, Psychological Bulletin, and Psychosomatic Medicine, is on the Scientific Council of the Academy of Behavioral Medicine Research, and is the President-Elect of the American Psychosomatic Society. Dr. Lutgendorf's work has been recognized by a New Investigator Award from the Psychoneuroimmunology Research Society in 2004, an Early Career Award from the American Psychosomatic Society in 2002 and by an award from the American Psychological Association, Division 38 for Outstanding Contributions to Health Psychology in the year 2000. Her work has recently been recognized by a Faculty Scholar Award and the Starch Faculty Fellowship from the University of Iowa. She serves as a core member of the NCI Network on Biobehavioral Pathways in Cancer.

Lee Mann, PhD, JD

Lee S. Mann, Ph.D., J.D. serves as the Scientific Review Officer for CSR’s Behavioral Medicine Interventions and Outcomes study section within the Risk, Prevention, and Health Behavior Integrated Review Group. Dr. Mann earned both his Ph.D. in experimental psychology and J.D. in law from George Washington University; he also earned his M.A. in the social sciences from the University of Chicago. Before joining CSR, Dr. Mann was with Inova Fairfax Hospital, Department of Psychiatry, where he had been director of the Cortical Function Laboratory since 1980. He was concurrently with the Department of Psychiatry at Georgetown University School of Medicine, where he taught courses in interviewing techniques, research methods and design, and law and psychology/psychiatry. During this time, he was a lecturer in psychiatry until 1991, when he became clinical associate professor. Prior to these positions, he had been a research psychologist in the intramural laboratories of the National Institute of Mental Health performing brain imaging studies. Dr. Mann has more than 60 articles published in peer-reviewed journals.

Paige McDonald, PhD, MPH

Paige McDonald is Chief of the Basic Biobehavioral and Psychological Sciences Branch (BBPSB), Behavioral Research Program (BRP), Division of Cancer Control and Population Sciences (DCCPS), at the National Cancer Institute (NCI). Dr. McDonald has served as a Program Director in the BBPSB since 2001. In that role, she cultivates the growth of the biobehavioral research portfolio that focuses on elucidating biological mechanisms of psychosocial effects on health and disease. Prior to joining the NCI, Dr. McDonald was a research psychologist at Howard University Cancer Center (HUCC) and a faculty member in the Department of Medicine at Howard University College of Medicine. Her research interests included stress and immunity within a cancer risk context, the influence of behavioral factors on breast cancer risk and survival, and the perceptions and knowledge of breast cancer and early detection behaviors among women residing in public housing. Dr. McDonald received her
Dr. Sandra A. Mitchell is a Research Scientist in the Outcomes Research Branch of the Applied Research Program, Division of Cancer Control and Population Sciences, at the National Cancer Institute. Her work focuses on the development and testing of measures of symptom burden, physical function, and sleep and fatigue in patients with cancer, and the application of these
outcomes to evaluate therapeutic response and treatment toxicity in cancer clinical trials. Dr. Mitchell also serves as the Program Director for the development and testing of PRO-CTCAE, a new measurement system to integrate patient-reporting of symptomatic adverse events into cancer clinical trials.

Floortje Mols, PhD

Floortje Mols completed her PhD on physical and psychological well-being among long-term cancer survivors in 2007. She is currently an assistant professor at the Center of Research on Psychology in Somatic diseases at Tilburg University in The Netherlands. In cooperation with the Comprehensive Cancer Centre South, she is involved with research into cancer survivorship issues, with a focus on quality of life and personality among long-term cancer survivors.

Sana Naveed, MPH

Sana Naveed is a Cancer Research Training Award (CRTA) Fellow in the Science of Research and Technology Branch (SRTB) of the Behavioral Research Program (BRP) of the Division of Cancer Control and Population Sciences (DCCPS) at the National Cancer Institute (NCI). She earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Genetics from the University of California, Davis, and a Master of Public Health degree, with a concentration in Epidemiology and Biostatistics, from San Diego State University. During her public health training, Sana examined the association between the built environment and incident cardiovascular disease in post-menopausal women residing in San Diego County. Her research interests include the social and environmental determinants of health disparities. Sana's prior experiences include evaluating solo and small group practices serving safety net communities across the state of California; working with the CA Department of Social Services and the CA Child Welfare Council to increase collaboration and communication through data sharing across multiple state agencies to improve child and family outcomes; and evaluating organizations providing reentry programs and services to recently released offenders for the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation-Juvenile Justice’s Community Reentry Challenge Grant Program. Under the mentorship of Dr. Rick Moser at NCI, Sana is involved in a number of data sharing initiatives of the grid-enabled measures (GEM) database, as well as the application of integrative data analysis methods to behavioral research.

Larissa Neklyudov, MD, MPH

Larissa Nekhlyudov, MD, MPH is an associate professor at the Department of Population Medicine at Harvard Medical School where she is the Director of Cancer Research and a general internist at Harvard Vanguard Medical Associates in Boston, Massachusetts. Her research has spanned across the spectrum of breast cancer, aiming to improve cancer-related decision making, communication and quality of life. She is particularly interested in improving the care of cancer survivors and the interplay between primary care and oncology care. Dr. Nekhlyudov has published numerous original manuscripts in leading cancer and general medicine journals on topics including breast cancer screening, diagnosis, quality of life, and surveillance after ductal carcinoma in situ. She currently serves as the Director of the National Cancer Institute-funded Community Practice Core at the Dana-Farber/Harvard Cancer Center, Director of Research at the LIVESTRONG Cancer Survivorship Program at the Dana-Farber
Cancer Institute and Associate Site Director in the National Cancer Institute-funded Cancer Research Network where she is also the leader of the Cancer Survivorship Scientific Interest Group. Dr. Nekhlyudov is an active member of the Society of General Internal Medicine and the American Society of Clinical Oncology. She is on the Advisory Board of the Massachusetts Cancer Registry.

**Wendy Nelson, PhD, MPH**

Wendy Nelson is a program director in the Basic Biobehavioral and Psychological Sciences Branch, Behavioral Research Program at the National Cancer Institute. She received undergraduate degrees from Smith College and Duke University School of Nursing, a MPH from Johns Hopkins, and a PhD in clinical psychology from Saint Louis University. Dr. Nelson completed a clinical psychology internship at Harvard University Medical School and a postdoctoral fellowship at Northwestern University Medical School. Prior to a career in psychology, Dr. Nelson worked in oncology nursing and public health. Her public health career included an Epidemic Intelligence Service fellowship with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and several years as an epidemiologist in the Center for Drug Evaluation and Research at the Food and Drug Administration. Before coming to NIH, Dr. Nelson was assistant professor in the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences at Northwestern University Medical School. Her research interests include medical decision making, the cognitive effects of cancer treatment, and ethics of clinical trials.

**Kim A.H. Nicolaije, MSc**

Kim Nicolaije is a Ph.D student at Tilburg University, in collaboration with the Comprehensive Cancer Center South. She is conducting a randomized controlled clinical trial among gynecological cancer patients, aiming to assess the impact of Survivorship Care Plans in routine clinical practice (ROGY Care trial).

**Laurel Northouse, PhD, RN, FAAN**

Dr. Laurel Northouse has conducted research with cancer patients and their family caregivers for over 25 years. She has extensive experience conducting longitudinal, multivariate studies that have identified factors associated with higher emotional distress and lower quality of life in cancer patients and their family caregivers. Building on these studies, Northouse and colleagues developed a dyadic intervention called the FOCUS Program to provide cancer patients and their family caregivers with information and support to cope with the stress of cancer and maintain their quality of life. They have tested the efficacy of this intervention in three randomized clinical trials with patients and their family caregivers. They are exploring new ways to deliver the in-person, home-based FOCUS Program to more patients and their caregivers using an Internet-based format. Their in-person program is being disseminated through the NCI and SAMHSA-sponsored Research-tested Intervention Programs (RTIPs) Web site (http://cancercontrol.cancer.gov/rtips/), part of the Cancer Control PLANET
**Aoife O’Donovan, BA, MPsychsc, PhD**

Dr. Aoife O’Donovan is a Society in Science: Branco Weiss Fellow in the Department of Psychiatry at the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF). Dr. O’Donovan’s research is focused on uncovering how psychosocial and lifestyle factors “get under the skin,” and “into cells” to accelerate the biological aging process. To this end, she examines the effects of psychosocial and lifestyle factors on indices and mechanisms of biological aging, including telomere shortening, oxidative stress, and inflammatory activity. Her work to date has revealed psychological and biological mechanisms linking psychosocial factors with accelerated biological aging. Dr. O’Donovan received an undergraduate degree in Applied Psychology from University College Cork, a Masters degree in Health Psychology from the National University of Ireland, Galway, and a PhD in Clinical Psychobiology from University College Dublin.

**Jason E. Owen, PhD, MPH**

Dr. Owen completed his doctoral work in clinical medical psychology at the University of Alabama at Birmingham, where he began his work in developing Internet-based psychosocial interventions for cancer survivors. He subsequently completed a fellowship in cancer prevention and control at the Jonsson Comprehensive Cancer Center at UCLA and is currently an Associate Professor in the Loma Linda University Department of Psychology. Dr. Owen also serves as the psychosocial services coordinator for the Loma Linda University Cancer Center. His research is primarily focused on Internet-based interventions and the development of tools for measuring and improving mechanisms of action in these types of interventions.

**Claire Pace, MSN**

Claire Pace MSN is a nurse practitioner with Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Center in the Radiation Oncology Department. Claire has worked with patients who have a diagnosis of cancer for over thirty years—from the time of diagnosis through end of life. Her roles have included direct patient care in home care and hospice, as well as leadership roles which included program and service development for cancer patients in CT and MA communities. For two years from 2006-2008, she was part of the Steering Committee involved in the implementation of the Cancer Plan for the Commonwealth of MA. Her work has included the assessment of survivorship issues for cancer patients and their families and the implementation of interventions to support them in their cancer journey. During the last three and a half years, she has been involved in work with the Dartmouth CARES Clinic. This clinic, which is a nurse practitioner led program, has been designed to specifically address the survivorship issues of patients who have cancer. This work has included the development and implementation of transitional care summaries for patients who have a variety of cancer diagnoses. In 2011 she participated in a CDC funded study “Journey Forward Survivor Care Planning in the Rural Northeast”.

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Lynne Padgett, PhD

Dr. Padgett received a PhD in Counseling Psychology from The University of Memphis. She completed a predoctoral internship at the Veteran’s Affairs Medical Center in Memphis, Tennessee and a post-doctoral fellowship at the Emory University School of Medicine, Department of Child Psychiatry. Prior to joining the National Cancer Institute, Dr. Padgett was a Health and Rehabilitation Psychologist for Kaiser Permanente, Department of Hospital Medicine, specializing in geriatrics and palliative care, maintained a private practice specializing in neuropsychological and developmental pediatric evaluations, and providing clinical and consultation services to a local community cancer center. Dr. Padgett’s research interests include the cognitive effects of cancer and cancer treatments, palliative medicine, and the diffusion of science from academicians and research journals to community providers of cancer care. Dr. Padgett is the Expert Technical Advisor to the NCI Community Cancer Center Program sites in the areas of cancer survivorship and palliative care.

Carly Parry, PhD, MSW

Dr. Parry earned an MSW and a joint doctorate in Social Work and Social Science (Sociology) from the University of Michigan, where she was the recipient of an NIA pre-doctoral fellowship in aging and social research. Following her training, Dr. Parry served on the faculty of the University of Colorado School of Medicine, Division of Health Care Policy and Research, from 2002-2011. In addition to promoting an applied program of research in psychosocial outcomes and service delivery for cancer survivors, Dr. Parry served as the Curriculum Development & Training Lead and the Dissemination Lead for the Care Transitions Program, a nationally-recognized patient-centered self-management program to support quality transitional care in individuals with chronic and complex health conditions. In that role, Dr. Parry co-developed the NQF-endorsed Care Transitions Measure, supported the implementation of the Care Transitions Intervention, and headed the training arm of the Care Transitions Program. In February 2011, Dr. Parry joined the National Cancer Institute’s Office of Cancer Survivorship as a Program Director. Dr. Parry’s interests focus on the following areas: quality of transitional care and follow-up care in cancer survivorship; psychosocial outcomes and care, models and processes of care delivery, and trans-disciplinary and patient-centered models of care in cancer survivorship and chronic illness. Additional areas of interest include the development and implementation of quality metrics in cancer survivorship care, the intersection of the cancer experience with aging and chronic illness, post-traumatic growth and resilience, and mixed methodologies.

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Marcus Plescia, MD, MPH

Marcus Plescia, MD, MPH is the Director of the Division of Cancer Prevention and Control at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). He is responsible for providing leadership and direction for all scientific, policy, and programmatic issues related to four national
programs: the Colorectal Cancer Control Program, the National Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program, the National Comprehensive Cancer Control Program, and the National Program of Cancer Registries. He oversees a well-developed research agenda that includes the national Cancer Prevention and Control Research Network. Before coming to CDC in 2009, Dr. Plescia served for six years as Chronic Disease Director at the North Carolina Division of Public Health. He directed the program policy, planning, and evaluation efforts for 12 public health programs and the State Center for Health Statistics. Under his leadership, the North Carolina cancer screening programs were expanded to reach more underserved adults. Public-health-focused legislation on tobacco, cancer, and obesity was passed, including a state law banning smoking in all restaurants and bars. Dr. Plescia’s research interests have focused on community health and health disparities. His publications focus on the application or evaluation of public health programs with an emphasis on primary prevention and policy. During his 9 year tenure on the family medicine faculty at Carolinas Healthcare System, he received an eight-year, $7 million grant from CDC to implement a community-oriented primary care project that addressed racial and ethnic disparities. Dr. Plescia received his medical degree, Master of Public Health, and Bachelor of Science from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He has an extensive clinical background. He trained in family medicine at the Montefiore Residency Program in Social Medicine in the Bronx, NY and started practice in a federally-qualified health center there, where he also led a team providing care to the homeless. Dr. Plescia continues to practice family medicine through the Indian Health Service and holds an academic appointment as associate professor in the UNC Department of Family Medicine.

Ruth Rechis, PhD

Ruth Rechis, Ph.D. is the Director of Evaluation and Research at the Lance Armstrong Foudnation, a cancer advocacy organization founded by Lance Armstrong. Dr. Rechis has a background in research, program evaluation and education, and earned her doctorate in Educational Psychology from the University of Texas at Austin. During her seven year tenure at the Foundation, she has worked to establish the office of Evaluation and Research as well as helped to design, implement, and evaluate numerous programs and resources for people affected by cancer. In her current role, Dr Rechis and her team conduct intramural research, develop and implement strategic yearly evaluation plans, and provide support and oversight to the LIVESTRONG Survivorship Center of Excellence Network. She is also the PI on the LIVESTRONG Survey for People Affected by Cancer, a comprehensive survey assessing the experience of the emotional, physical and day to day concerns of cancer survivors. Dr. Rechis has presented and published numerous times on the programmatic work of LIVESTRONG and the needs of people affected by cancer. As a cancer survivor, she also has a personal connection to the mission of LIVESTRONG.

Elizabeth A. Rohan, PhD, MSW

Elizabeth A. Rohan, Ph.D., MSW, was graduated summa cum laude from Boston College in 1989 with a degree in Sociology and earned her Master of Social Work in Boston College’s accelerated program a year later. She then began a career in clinical oncology social work, counseling cancer patients and their families, first at the Massachusetts General Hospital (1990-1995) and later (1995-2002) at the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, both designated Centers for Excellence in Oncology by the National Cancer Institute. She found her work with cancer
patients extraordinarily rewarding and developed a research interest in the multidisciplinary oncology health care team. In addition to her clinical work, Dr. Rohan has experience teaching social work courses at Boston University and sociology courses at Boston College (1999-2002) and was ranked third among Boston College faculty by online student evaluations one semester. Dr. Rohan moved to the Atlanta area in 2003 and completed a joint Ph.D. in Sociology and Social Work from Boston University in 2005. Soon thereafter, she worked at a small private practice in Atlanta, providing supervision for Master’s level social workers seeking licensure. In 2009, Dr. Rohan published a book, Laboring at the Edge: Effects of Repeated Exposure to Death and Dying on Oncology Doctors, Nurses, and Social Workers, a result of her dissertation work on the multidisciplinary oncology health care team. Also in 2009, Dr. Rohan was featured in The Weekly Qualitative Report for her article, “Climbing Everest: Oncology Work as an Expedition in Caring,” which was published in the Journal of Psychosocial Oncology. Since August 2009, Dr. Rohan has been translating her clinical knowledge into public health practice at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Dr. Rohan is a Health Scientist in the Division of Cancer Prevention and Control in the Comprehensive Cancer Control Branch and is co-lead of the Division’s Survivorship Workgroup. She is leading CDC’s efforts to publish a supplement about CDC’s Colorectal Cancer Screening Demonstration Program and is involved in many cancer-related health services research and evaluation projects, including a study of the efficacy of patient navigation in colorectal cancer screening and a qualitative study of lung cancer survivors. Dr. Rohan lives outside of Atlanta with her husband and two children.

**Julia Rowland, PhD**

Dr. Rowland is Director of the National Cancer Institute’s Office of Cancer Survivorship and a long-time clinician, researcher and teacher in the area of psychosocial aspects of cancer. She has worked with and conducted competitively funded research among both pediatric and adult cancer survivors and their families, published broadly in psycho-oncology and co-edited the ground-breaking text, Handbook of Psychooncology as well as the more recent Handbook of Cancer Control and Behavioral Science. Dr. Rowland received her PhD in Developmental Psychology from Columbia University and completed a post-doctoral fellowship at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in psychosocial oncology. While at MSKCC, where she held joint appointments in pediatrics and neurology, Dr. Rowland helped to develop and was the first Director of the Post-Treatment Resource Program, an innovative resource that continues to provide a full range of non-medical services to patients and their families after the end of treatment. In 1990 Dr. Rowland became founding Director of the Psycho-oncology Program at Georgetown University and the Lombardi Cancer Center. Since joining the NCI in September 1999, Dr. Rowland has helped build the size and visibility of the Office of Cancer Survivorship and created numerous governmental and non-profit partnerships to advance public awareness about and funding for research addressing the health care and quality of life needs of cancer survivors and their families.

**Blythe Ryerson, MPH**

A. Blythe Ryerson, MPH, joined CDC as an epidemiologist in the Division of Cancer Prevention and Control (DCPC) in 2003. The majority of her work focuses on the early detection of breast
and ovarian cancer and research related to CDC's National Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program. Additionally, Mrs. Ryerson has provided epidemiologic expertise to develop and evaluate the *Inside Knowledge: Get the Facts about Gynecologic Cancer* campaign. Mrs. Ryerson is a doctoral candidate in epidemiology at Emory University. Her dissertation research is on the late cardiac effects of certain chemotherapy drugs in childhood cancer survivors. Because of this, and her collaboration with DCPC staff and external partners on other cancer survivorship projects, she co-chairs DCPC's Cancer Survivorship Workgroup, which directs research, resources, and programs aimed at identifying and addressing cancer survivors' needs.

*Talya Salz, PhD*

Dr. Talya Salz is a health services researcher at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center. She focuses on evaluating the quality of care after the completion of cancer treatment. Her work has addressed the need for and use of survivorship care plans to improve the coordination care for cancer survivors. Dr. Salz is also interested in the statistical prediction of cardiovascular late effects, with the intention of risk stratifying cardiovascular preventive care for cancer survivors.

*Douglas Sawyer, MD, PhD*

Dr. Sawyer attended medical school and graduate school at Cornell after which he trained in internal medicine and cardiology at Brigham and Women's. He developed an interest in working to prevent adverse effects of cancer therapy on heart function during training and has spent last 15 years leading a research program with this as a major focus.

*Leslie Schover, PhD*

Leslie R. Schover, PhD is Professor of Behavioral Science at UT MD Anderson Cancer Center. She has been a pioneer in developing and evaluating reproductive health services for cancer patients and survivors. Her research has focused on understanding, preventing, and treating cancer-related sexual dysfunction in men and women and on helping cancer patients cope with the impact of treatment on fertility.

*Scott Randy Secord, MSW, RSW*

Scott Secord, MSW RSW, gradulated from Wilfrid Laurier University, Waterloo, Canada 1989 and has been a licensed social worker for the past 24 years. He has fulfilled a number of clinical and leadership roles in healthcare, locally, provincially and nationally, in direct inpatient and outpatient care delivery, as an advanced practice clinician, manager, director in psychiatric rehabilitation, medicine and oncology programs. Deep personal experiences with cancer led to a career shift in 2005 to providing leadership in the development of a comprehensive cancer survivorship program at The Princess Margaret. Supported largely by the Princess Margaret Hospital Foundation the Survivorship Program is built on the principles of patient empowerment, evidenced based practice and patient self-management. Scott, has been a Board Member of the Patient Education Network (Canada) 2005-2009, where he initiated the first a Survivorship Committee. Since 2009 until now he is active in co-chairing the Cancer Patient Education Network Survivorship Committee. Scott is also a Member of the Canadian Association for
Psychosocial Oncology 2005-2012 and was a participant in the Scientist Survivor Program, American Association for Cancer Research 2004-2009. Scott is an Adjunct Lecturer, Factor Inwentash Faculty of Social Work, University of Toronto 2011-2014. As the Clinical Manager of the Cancer Survivorship Program over the past 7 years he has contributed clinically and academically to many scripted, targeted and exploratory interventions for cancer survivors advocating for trans-disciplinary care in survivorship assessment, planning, wellness, and prevention. Specific research efforts have focused on outcome measures, examining potential novel models of care, adaptive technologies and communities of practice designed improve the cancer experience. The over arching mantra for Scott as a researcher, practitioner and survivor is to promote sustainable healthcare delivery through self-management, greater patient and care provider collaboration and to ultimately eliminate unnecessary suffering.

John R. Seffrin, PhD

John R. Seffrin, PhD, has been the chief executive of the American Cancer Society since 1992, and leads the Society’s advocacy affiliate, the American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network. He serves on the White House Advisory Group on Prevention, Health Promotion, and Integrative and Public Health, is past president of the Union for International Cancer Control, and has served as chairman of the Independent Sector Board. Among his many affiliations, Dr. Seffrin was a charter member of C-Change, was appointed to the National Cancer Policy Board, and co-chaired the National Cancer Legislation Advisory Board. He led the creation of the National Center for Tobacco-Free Kids (now the Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids), served on the Advisory Committee to the Director of the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; the Advisory Committee to Congress on Tobacco Policy and Public Health; and the US Surgeon General’s Advisory Committee on Smoking and Health. Dr. Seffrin is a globally recognized speaker and author with numerous honorary doctorates in recognition of his several decades of leadership in the worldwide cancer fight.

Katherine Sharpe, MTS

Katherine Sharpe has served as the Managing Director, Prevention and Survivorship, at the American Cancer Society’s National Home Office since February 2010. In this capacity, Katherine provides leadership on survivor programs, HP research and plays a crucial role in defining, communicating and executing new business strategies for the Health Promotions Department in support of ACS nationwide strategies and policies. Additionally, Katherine provides oversight on major organizational development initiatives and coordinates research initiatives to help define future development opportunities. Katherine started her career at the American Cancer Society in September 1997 at the National Cancer Information Center in Austin, Texas and has since worked in a variety of functions at NHO. Prior to her tenure with ACS, Katherine worked as a case manager and counselor in a variety of clinical settings, including Children’s Medical Center, Dallas, TX, the Scottish Rite Hospital, Dallas, TX and the Austin State Hospital, Austin, TX. Katherine holds an undergraduate degree in Psychology from St. Mary College and a master’s degree from Seabury-Western at Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois.
Tenbroeck Smith, MA

Tenbroeck Smith is a scientific director in the Behavioral Research Center at the American Cancer Society. Mr. Smith leads ACS efforts to develop symptom surveillance systems at the national and health-system levels. He is PI of the Symptom Surveillance and Disparities Study, a multi-agency study piloting a cost-effect method of collecting patient reported symptom data. Mr. Smith is a co-investigator on the Studies of Cancer Survivors and the Survey of Physicians Attitudes Regarding the Care of Cancer Survivors. Mr. Smith consults on the evaluation and development of Society patient/survivor programs. He is a member of the Society of Behavioral Medicine and a reviewer for several peer reviewed journals. His research interests include cancer symptoms and side effects, cancer survivorship, quality of life, patient reported outcomes, information technology, and survey methodology. tenbroeck.smith@cancer.org

Anil K. Sood, MD

Dr. Anil K. Sood is professor in the Departments of Gynecologic Oncology and Cancer Biology and co-director of the Center for RNA Interference and Non-Coding RNA at the M. D. Anderson Cancer Center. He is also Director of the multi-disciplinary Blanton-Davis Ovarian Cancer Research Program and Vice Chair for Translational Research in the Department of Gynecologic Oncology. Dr. Sood received his medical degree from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, North Carolina. His research is focused in three main areas: 1) effect of neuroendocrine stress hormones on ovarian cancer growth and progression, 2) development of new strategies for in vivo siRNA delivery, and 3) development of novel anti-vascular therapeutic approaches. Dr. Sood has received major recognition for his research accomplishments including the Hunter Award, the Margaret Greenfield/Carmel Cohen Excellence in Ovarian Cancer Research Prize, and the GCF/Claudia Cohen Research Prize for Outstanding Gynecologic Cancer Researcher. Dr. Sood has published numerous peer-reviewed articles and book chapters, and he serves on the editorial board for several journals and as a reviewer for many others. He was recently elected to the American Society for Clinical Investigation, an honor society for physician-scientists. Dr. Sood is actively involved in teaching graduate students and clinical fellows. He is a member of The University of Texas Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences and teaches classes related to cancer cell signaling pathways.

Linda Squiers, PhD

Linda Squiers has more than 20 years of experience in health communication research and evaluation. Her research interests include cancer communication, the use of narratives/stories to communicate health information, dissemination research, health information seeking, social marketing, and health literacy. Dr. Squiers has worked at RTI International for almost 4 years, previously ran NCI’s Cancer Information Service Research Program, and has also worked in state and local health departments. She received funding for the project she will be presenting from Washington University’s Centers of Excellence in Cancer Communication and RTI International. She has projects with Livestrong, CDC, NCI, and the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality; many of these projects focus on cancer prevention, screening or survivorship. She graduated from the University of Maryland with a PhD in Health Education with a special emphasis in Health Communication.
Shobha Srinivasan, PhD

Shobha Srinivasan, PhD, is a sociologist and the Health Disparities Research Coordinator in the Office of the Director, Division of Cancer Control and Population Sciences, National Cancer Institute (NCI). She is currently the NCI project director for the National Institutes of Health Centers for Population Health and Health Disparities and coordinating trans-NIH activities to promote intervention programs in Native American communities. Previously she has taught and conducted research at various Universities, and also has worked as a research director in a community based health advocacy organization. For several years she has worked at building partnerships between communities and universities to address various health challenges in underserved and immigrant communities. Her research has focused on social determinants of health, place, and inequalities, including challenges in the utilization and access to health services. In all these projects her goal was largely to inform health policy at the local, state, and national levels regarding care for underserved and underrepresented populations.

Tina Staley, MSW, LCSW

Tina Staley, MSW, LCSW Ms. Staley is the founder and President of Pillars4Life, an innovative, virtual psycho/social educational curriculum dedicated to improving quality of life for patients and caregivers with cancer and other serious or long-term illnesses. Pillars4Life uses a business model to leverage the power of web-based communications to provide psychosocial support to the widest possible audience of cancer survivors and provide training for healthcare professionals. P4L is the recipient of a grant from the LiveSTRONG Foundation supporting expansion of the program to 20 hospitals across the U.S. in 2012. Ms. Staley is also the founding director of Pathfinders International, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to improving the experience of illness, healthcare, and healing for all cancer patients, their families, and caregivers. Ms. Staley’s expertise includes clinical expertise in mental health and creating clinician-researcher partnerships to integrate evidence-based supportive interventions into cancer care. In addition to leading the Duke-Pathfinders partnership (2006-present) and development of, Ms. Staley has delivered presentations on psychosocial interventions and quality-of-life issues at forums including the Association of Oncology Social Work, the Society for Social Work and Research, the European Association for Palliative Care, and the National Cancer Institute. Ms. Staley received her bachelor’s degree in psychology from Roosevelt University and her master’s degree in social work from Loyola University. She has served as a bereavement program coordinator for Roaring Fork Hospice (Glenwood Springs, CO), a speaker for the Spiritual Paths Foundation, founding partner of the Aspen Center for Integrative Health and faculty at the Center for Mind-Body Medicine (Washington, DC). Ms. Staley is the co-author of Living Fully, Dying Well: Reflecting on Death to Find Your Life’s Meaning, and her work is the subject of the documentary film What Love Is (describing the evolution and content of the Pathfinders experience), directed by acclaimed filmmaker Ted Bogosian.

Annette L. Stanton, PhD

Annette Stanton, Ph.D., is Professor, UCLA Departments of Psychology and Psychiatry/Biobehavioral Sciences, Member of the Jonsson Comprehensive Cancer Center, and Senior Research Scientist in the Cousins Center for Psychoneuroimmunology. Dr. Stanton's research centers on specifying factors that promote psychological and physical health
in individuals who confront health-related adversity. In the area of psychosocial oncology, she conducts both longitudinal research and randomized, controlled intervention trials to understand the influences of personality and contextual resources, cognitive appraisals, and coping processes on the quality of life and health in individuals diagnosed with cancer or at risk for the disease. Recognized through several awards for her teaching and mentoring, Dr. Stanton also received the Senior Investigator Award from Division 38 (Health Psychology) of the American Psychological Association in recognition of her research contributions to health psychology. She currently serves as President-Elect of Division 38.

Kevin Stein, PhD

Dr. Kevin Stein is the Managing Director of the Behavioral Research Center (BRC) for American Cancer Society, located in Atlanta, GA. The BRC conducts original behavioral research to reduce cancer disparities, modify cancer risk behaviors, and improve cancer outcomes and quality of life among cancer patients, survivors, caregivers, and the general population. The goal of Dr. Stein’s research are to (a) gain a better understanding of factors related to the physical and psychosocial functioning of persons affected by cancer and (b) develop evidence-based interventions to address these issues. He is the Principal Investigator of the American Cancer Society’s Study of Cancer Survivors, a large-scale, nationwide, population-based longitudinal study of quality of life among cancer survivors in the United States. Dr. Stein received a bachelor’s degree in Psychology from the University of Florida and Master’s and Doctoral degrees in Clinical Psychology from the University of South Florida. He completed an APA-approved internship at the James A. Haley Veterans’ Hospital in Tampa, Florida. Before coming to the American Cancer Society, Dr. Stein completed a three-year Postdoctoral Research Fellowship in Psychosocial Oncology at the Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute in Tampa, Florida. In addition to his work with the American Cancer Society, Dr. Stein holds an adjunct faculty appointment as an Associate Professor in the Behavioral Sciences and Health Education Department of Emory University’s Rollins School of Public Health. Dr. Stein is an active member of the International Psychosocial Oncology Society, American Psychosocial Oncology Society, and the Society of Behavioral Medicine. He is a licensed psychologist in the state of Georgia.

Melinda Stolley, PhD

Melinda Stolley, PhD is an Associate Professor in the Section of Health Promotion of the Department of Medicine at the University of Illinois at Chicago. Dr. Stolley is a health psychologist with a specialization in oncology, as well as a portfolio in cancer survivor research. Her research areas focus on health disparities, health behaviors and energy balance. She recently completed a multi-site observational study of body mass index and health behaviors among a diverse cohort of adult childhood cancer survivors and non-cancer controls. Dr. Stolley is currently initiating a randomized trial of a community based weight loss intervention for African-American breast cancer survivors. The intervention was developed in partnership with African-American breast cancer survivors and the program is being implemented in partnership with the Chicago Park District in six Chicago neighborhoods. Dr. Stolley completed her PhD in clinical psychology from Northwestern University and a post-doctoral fellowship in psychosocial oncology at Rush University Medical Center. She was awarded a NCI career development award focusing on cancer survivorship and health disparities. Dr. Stolley serves as the Director
of the Behavioral Research Methods Shared Resource at the University of Illinois Cancer Center and also co-directs the R25 Cancer Education and Career Development program at University of Illinois at Chicago.

**Katherine S. Virgo, PhD, MBA**

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**Chad Ward**

Chad Ward is a two time cancer survivor; being diagnosed with Melanoma in November, 2009, and Prostate Cancer in May, 2010. He received treatment at Oregon Health & Science University (OSHU) in Portland, OR, with his last treatment administered in August, 2010. He received his BA in American Studies from Brigham Young University, and is a self employed Commercial Real Estate Investor/Developer. Chad currently resides in his native home area of Boise, ID. He is surrounded by his loving and supportive wife of 33 wonderful years, his 4 children, and 5 grandchildren.

**Joan Warren, PhD**

Joan Warren, PhD, has been an Epidemiologist in the Health Services and Economics Branch of ARP since 1998. Dr. Warren received her BS in Nursing from Georgetown University and worked for 10 years in a variety of clinical settings. She received her PhD in Health Policy from the University of Maryland Baltimore in 1989. In that same year, she joined the Epidemiology Branch in the Office of Research at the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). During her eight years at CMS, she worked extensively with Medicare claims, learning how to use these data for a range of health services research projects. Upon coming to NCI, she assumed responsibility for managing the SEER-Medicare data, a file that links Medicare-eligible persons in the SEER data with their Medicare claims. Dr. Warren's research has focused on the use of secondary data, such as the SEER-Medicare files, to assess patterns, outcomes, and costs of care. She has also worked extensively with researchers from government and academic settings to promote standardization of measures and methods using secondary data. She has served as an advisor to numerous US and international groups interested in secondary data and data linkages. Dr. Warren has been an author or co-author of over 80 journal articles related to health services research or epidemiology. She serves as a reviewer for clinical and health services research journals. In 2002, she was the guest editor for a Medical Care supplement, "Use of SEER-Medicare Data for Cancer-Related Health Services Research."

**Sarah Wenstrand, BA**

Sarah Wenstrand was a caregiver for over a decade during her husband’s treatment for Hodgkin’s lymphoma from 1995 until his death in 2007. At the age of twenty-two and immediately after graduating college, Sarah became a cancer partner, patient advocate and wife navigating the new worlds of young adulthood, marriage and illness. As a young surviving spouse, Sarah has contributed to the *Planet Cancer Book*, facilitated writing groups for people affected by cancer, other illnesses and widowhood, coordinated patient advocacy initiatives,
serves on the University of California, Davis Medical Center Adolescent and Young Adult Cancer Advisory Board, and is currently studying health care information technology.

**Robin Yabroff, PhD, MBA**

K. Robin Yabroff, PhD, MBA, is an Epidemiologist in the Health Services and Economics Branch of the Applied Research Program. Dr. Yabroff's research interests include developing methods to estimate the economic and quality-of-life burden of cancer and understanding the determinants of population trends, care, and disparities in the receipt of cancer screening, follow-up services, and cancer treatment. She is author or co-author of over 80 peer-reviewed journal articles on clinical epidemiology and health services research related to cancer. She serves as a reviewer for numerous clinical, health services research, and epidemiology journals, and is currently an associate editor for the Journal of the National Cancer Institute and on the editorial board of the Journal of Cancer Survivorship. She was a guest editor for a recent Medical Care journal supplement, Health Care Costing: Data, Methods, Future Directions. Dr. Yabroff is currently leading a collaborative effort to improve publicly available data for estimating the burden of cancer in the US, the Medical Expenditure Panel Survey (MEPS): Experiences with Cancer Survivorship Supplement.

**Brad Zebrack, PhD, MSW, MPH**

Dr. Brad Zebrack is Associate Professor, University of Michigan School of Social Work, and a member of the University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Center, Socio-Behavioral Program. His teaching and research interests are in the area of health, sociology of medicine, and quality of life. He is particularly interested in the effects of cancer on the psychosocial growth and development of adolescents and young adults, and his research has been funded over the past thirteen years by the National Cancer Institute, American Cancer Society, Lymphoma Research Foundation, Lance Armstrong Foundation, University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Center, and HopeLab, Inc. Dr. Zebrack has clinical social work experience in both pediatric and adult oncology, and has been involved in the development of peer support/advocacy programs for adolescent and young adult cancer survivors. He currently chairs the Social Workers in Oncology Research Group for the Association of Oncology Social Work. Dr. Zebrack is a 26-year survivor of Hodgkin’s disease, diagnosed in 1985 at the age of 25. In 1989, Dr. Zebrack and his wife Joanne completed a one-year 11,000 mile bicycle trip around the United States to promote cancer survivorship. Brad and Joanne live in Ann Arbor, Michigan with their 9-year old daughter Sierra Grace, and cat Cal.

**Suzanna Zick, ND, MPH**

Dr. Zick is an assistant research professor at the University of Michigan Department of Family Medicine and helped to found the U-M Complementary and Alternative Medicine Research Center. She is also a member of the education team for the U-M Integrative Medicine Faculty Scholars Program. The main focus of Dr. Zick's research is cancer prevention via primary and secondary strategies, cancer preventive agents (diet/botanicals), complementary and alternative medicine using botanical medicines and control of symptoms in cancer, e.g., fatigue, pain and nausea. Dr. Zick also has an interest in the use of acupressure for treating chronic insomnia,
fatigue and pain. Dr. Zick is conducting a National Cancer Institute funded study to investigate the effect of self-administered acupressure on persistent cancer related fatigue in breast cancer survivors as well as completing a study that examines if ginger could be used as an effective agent for colorectal cancer prevention.