

## **Foundation Planning Task Force Members Short Bios**

### **Michael Bentley, B.S. Business Administration - Risk Management & Insurance**

Current Position: VP Investments, Bentley Wealth Management of Raymond James

- Finance, accounting and investment advising; strategic planning and policy development
- Fundraising, philanthropy and advocacy
- Nonprofit and board experience including Lakewood Chamber of Commerce & LakewoodAlive

### **Daniel J. Cohn, B.A. Public Health**

Current Position: Mt. Sinai Health Care Foundation, Program Officer

- Published author and presenter on public health and diversity issues
- Non-profit and Foundation grant and program management and leadership

### **Katherine Collin, J.D.**

Current Position: The Cleveland Foundation, Gift Planning Officer, Advancement

- 6 plus years foundation experience
- 10 plus years of development and grant writing experience
- Experience with Medicaid and estate administration
- Past Positions: Cleveland Clinic Foundation; Legal Aid Society

### **Phyllis Dykes, B.A., Graduate Work in Group Dynamics and Business Administration**

Current Position: Phyllis Dykes & Associates, President – Strategic Assessment and Planning Consultant

- 20 plus years' experience planning and implementing management, communications and resource development strategies for non-profits, small businesses and public agencies.
- Significant work with and counseling of organizations which advocate for and assist at-risk populations in matters of health care, education, housing, senior issues, and employment and work training. Study and presentation on at-risk children.
- Consulting on matters of transportation, planning, board training, strategic planning

### **Chuck Garven, M.D., F.A.A.F.P.**

Current Position: North Coast Health, Medical Director and Family Physician

- Non-profit Public health and business management experience
- Experience working with at-risk populations

### **Jeanine Gergel, B.A., MBA**

Current Position: Foundation Management Services, Associate and Program Officer

- Consultant for foundations including grant-making strategy
- Experience raising funding for at-risk population health services
- Experience with non-profit board development and management
- Consulting experience in health care, insurance and financial services
- Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Ladder to Leadership Fellow
- Past Positions: Girls Scouts of NE Ohio, North Coast Health, Growth Solutions, Blue Cross and Blue Shield, Cleveland Clinic

### **Martha Halko, B.A. Sports Management and Master of Science in Nutrition**

Current Position: Cuyahoga County Board of Health, Deputy Director

- 19 years' experience in public health
- Graduate of Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Center for Creative Leadership and Cleveland Foundation Ladder to Leadership Program

### **George Hillow, CPA, MBA, CFF, CrFA**

Current Position: Cuyahoga County Convention Facilities Development Corporation, Executive Director

- Significant experience in business and civic leadership
- Foundation and board member experience
- Federal, County and local Government advisory and consulting experience
- Strategic planning
- Past Positions: Ernst & Young,

**Benjamin Miladin, B.A., M.S.W., LISW-S**

Current Position: United Way of Greater Cleveland, Director of Health

- Oversees health-related funding portfolio; ensures accountability for agency dollars; monitors data collection and analysis to make well informed funding decisions
- Non-profit board experience including leadership, strategic planning and fundraising
- Extensive work with seniors and issues of aging. Counseling for issues of mental health and substance abuse and coordination of ancillary services

**Erin Murphy, B.A. Psychology; Master of Public Health**

Current Position: Lorain County General Health District, Program Manager, Chronic Disease Prevention

- Grant Management;
- Strategic planning with communities for a health and wellness collaborative
- Volunteer training and management

**Brittany O'Connor, B.S. Community Health Education**

Current Position: Citizens Bank, Public Affairs Manager

- Manages the Citizens Bank charitable giving programs in Ohio and Michigan
- Creates and implements annual giving strategy ; collaborates with community initiatives and promotes employee engagement through volunteerism
- Advocate for at-risk populations
- Past: The Centers for Families and Children, NARAL Ohio, Preterm, Planned Parenthood of Greater Cleveland
- Leadership training, non-profit board experience and proficiency in grant management

**Dawn Pyne, Master of Science Integrated Marketing Communications**

Current Position: Embrace Pet Insurance, Marketing Manager

- Past: Privia Health; Cleveland Clinic, Brokaw Advertising, American Greetings
- Non-profit board experience

**Laura Rodriguez-Carbone, B.A. Political Science; Masters Public Administration**

Current Position: Community Outreach Coordinator

- Grant writing; grant administration; Raiser's Edge and DonorPerfect software trained
- Donor stewardship; data collections;

**Vicki Smigelski, B.S. Business, Graduate Studies in Labor Relations**

Current Position: KKSG & Associates, Manager, Self-Insurance

- Extensive non-profit leadership and fundraising experience in the Lakewood community
- Program work for at-risk families
- Significant strategic planning for organizations and non-profits

**Kristin Warzocha, B.S. Communications**

Current Position: Cleveland Food Bank, President and CEO

- Expert in nonprofit organizational management
- Past: American Red Cross, Harvest for Hunger

**Judith Wright, B.S Education and Social Policy, M.Ed. Adult Learning & Development**

Current Position: Ohio Transformation Fund, Executive Director

- Significant direct program work with at-risk populations and fundraising to support that work
- Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Ladder to Leadership Fellow and Rockwood Leadership Institute, The Art of Leadership for Philanthropic Leaders
- Extensive volunteer work in the Hispanic community and for health care issues.
- Published and presented on issues of education, diversity and leadership
- Past Positions: Brush Foundation, Ohio Organizing Collaborative

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