

## Paul Glassman, DDS, MA, MBA (Co-Chair)

Professor- University of the Pacific School of Dentistry

Paul Glassman, DDS, MA, MBA, is director of Community Oral Health at the University of the Pacific, Arthur A. Dugoni School of Dentistry. He currently serves as the dental expert on the Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act (CHIPRA) Pediatric Quality Measures Program. Dr. Glassman has had many years of dental practice experience treating complex patients and has published extensively in the areas of hospital dentistry, dentistry for patients with special needs, dentistry for individuals with medical disabilities, dentistry for patients with dental fear, and geriatric dentistry. Dr. Glassman has been prominent in advocacy efforts for health system reform to improve oral health systems.

# David Krol, MD, MPH, FAAP (Co-Chair)

Team Director and Senior Program Officer- The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

David Krol, MD, MPH, FAAP, is team director and senior program officer at The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF). Before joining RWJF in 2009, Dr. Krol was an associate professor and chair of the Department of Pediatrics at the University of Toledo College of Medicine. Previously, he was director, Medical Affairs and Clinical Evaluation at the Children's Health Fund in New York and also served as the Fund's vice president for Medical Affairs. While an assistant professor of Pediatrics and Health Policy and Management (in dentistry) at Columbia University, he was the recipient of a Soros Advocacy Fellowship for Physicians, and served as a senior policy research consultant at the Children's Dental Health Project in Washington, D.C. He is an alumnus of the *Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholars Program* and a former Bush Fellow in Child Development and Social Policy at Yale University.

## Amit Acharya, BDS, MS, PhD

Dental Informatics Scientist- Marshfield Clinic

Amit Acharya, BDS, MS, PhD, is a dentist and computer scientist with expertise in biomedical and dental informatics. He has played a pivotal role to address the structure and content of electronic dental records (EDRs) and design an integrated medical/dental electronic health record (EHR). He has published in several national and international peer reviewed journals and was invited by the Office of the National Coordinator (ONC), Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) and Center for Translational Science Activities (CTSA) to speak on several areas of his work. He is also involved with various national dental standards development activities.

# Oral Health Expert Panel *Member Roster*



#### Terrence Batliner, DDS, MBA

Associate Director- Center for Native Oral Health Research

Terrence Batliner, DDS, MBA, is the associate director for the Center for Native Oral Health Research and also the owner of Sage Dental Care, a private practice in Lafayette, Colorado. He is a member of the Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma and spent the first 8 years of his career in the Indian Health Service. From there he went to Harvard Pilgrim Health care in Boston where he managed 7 large group practices as well as the optical programs. He returned to Denver in 1995 to run the VA hospitals in the Rocky Mountain area. Since 2006, Dr. Batliner has served as a faculty member in the Centers for American Indian Alaska Native Health at the Colorado School of Public Health. He received his DDS and MBA degrees from the University of Iowa in 1982 and 1983.

## James Crall, DDS, ScD

Professor & Chair, Division of Public Health and Community Dentistry- University of California - Center for Healthier Children, Families & Communities

James Crall, DDS, ScD, is professor and chair of the Division of Public Health and Community Dentistry at the University of California Center for Healthier Children, Families and Communities. He was selected to be a Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Dental Health Services Research Scholar from 1984-86, and subsequently obtained masters and doctoral degrees in Health Policy and Management from the Harvard School of Public Health. Dr. Crall was appointed as the first Dental Scholar-in-Residence at the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (formerly AHCPR) in 1997, and has served as a consultant or panel member for the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations, Milbank-Reforming States Group Oral Health Workgroup, National Committee on Quality Assurance, National Governors Association, Pew Health Professions Commission, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, and U.S. General Accounting Office. His work focuses on disparities in pediatric oral health care and public policy affecting access and quality of care.

## David Gesko, DDS

Dental Director and Senior Vice President- HealthPartners

David S. Gesko, DDS, is the dental director and also a senior vice president for HealthPartners. He has held that role with HealthPartners since February 2008. HealthPartners is a family of nonprofit, Minnesota health-care organizations focused on improving the health of its members and the community. HealthPartners is consumer-governed. Dr. Gesko is passionate about integrating medical and dental care and applying growing evidence-based research to care delivery. Prior to joining HealthPartners, Dr. Gesko was the Associate Dental Director for Kaiser Permanente/Permanente Dental Association (PDA) in Portland, Oregon for 20 years. After receiving his DDS degree, he completed a residency in general



practice at the Veterans Association Medical Center in Portland, OR. Following that, Dr. Gesko operated a private dental practice in Bozeman, Montana.

#### Richard Hastreiter, DDS, MPH

Dental Director, WellPoint Dental- WellPoint

Richard Hastreiter DDS, MPH, is the WellPoint Dental Director. His responsibilities include: oral health analytics; professional leadership, planning, development and implementation of dental policy; and oral health utilization management and research. Dr. Hastreiter joined the corporation in 1997 and has 39 years experience in the dental health in the public and private sectors, including private practice, Dental Director the Wisconsin Department of Health and Social Services and at the Minnesota State Department of Health. In addition to his dental credentials, he has a Masters Degree in Public Health and is a licensed insurance agent.

## Michael Helgeson, DDS

Chief Executive Officer- Apple Tree Dental

Michael Helgeson, DDS, is chief executive officer and co-founder of Apple Tree Dental. He served as a U.S. Public Health Service dentist in St. Louis, Missouri from 1986 to 1990 during which time he also programmed the fledgling non-profit's initial information system software. His foresight in capturing diagnostic and treatment data has resulted in an unprecedented, longitudinal database of oral health information for institutionalized elders and special needs populations. Dr. Hegelson has collaborated with researchers utilizing Apple Tree's database to promote meaningful oral health outcomes-based policies. He majored in Physics at St. Olaf College and graduated from the University of Minnesota School of Dentistry in 1984.

#### Amy Hessel, MD, FACS

Fellowship Program Director, Department of Head and Neck Surgery- University of Texas MD Anderson Medical Center

Amy Hessel, MD, FACS, is a board-certified otolaryngologist and head and neck surgeon in academic practice at the University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center. In addition to a full clinical schedule, she is the director of the Head & Neck Surgical Oncology fellowship and is responsible for recruitment and hiring of new fellows as well as the mentoring and career development of the trainees within the department. Within her institution, Dr. Hessel participates in several quality and safety committees and directs a task force for identifying cancer metrics of many of the institution's treatment algorithms. She is an active participant in quality and educational committees within the Otolaryngology-Head and Neck



Surgery Societies and represents the Head and Neck Society on the AAO-HNS Guidelines Development Task Force, which oversees the development of clinical practice guidelines for the field of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery.

#### Elsbeth Kalenderian, DDS, MPH

Chair, Oral Health Policy and Epidemiology and Chief of Quality- Harvard Dental Center, Harvard School of Dental Medicine

Elsbeth Kalenderian, DDS, MPH, an oral surgeon by training, is an experienced healthcare executive. In 2007, she was appointed Assistant Dean for Clinical Affairs at the Harvard School of Dental Medicine and is currently its Chair for Oral Health Policy and Epidemiology and Chief of Quality. She is the principal investigator on an R01, which supports work to enhance the valid entry of standardized dental diagnostic terms within the electronic health record. Elsbeth recently developed the first dental adverse event inventory as well as a dental outpatient trigger tool. She is dedicated to creating a robust dental patient safety culture.

## Jessica Lee, DDS, MPH, PhD

Professor, Department of Pediatric Dentistry and Health Policy and Management- University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Jessica Lee, DDS, MPH, PhD, is an associate professor and currently on the faculty of both the Departments of Pediatric Dentistry and Health Policy and Management at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Dr. Lee also serves as the director of the School of Dentistry's Health Services Research Program and Pediatric Dentistry Graduate Program Director. She has authored over a 100 peer reviewed manuscripts, abstracts and book chapters and is involved in teaching, clinical practice and research and maintains several health services research grants. In 2010, she received the Presidential Early Career Award for Scientist and Engineers from President Barack Obama.

#### Mary Alice Lee, PhD, MSN

Senior Policy Fellow- Connecticut Voices for Children

Mary Alice Lee, PhD, MSN, is a senior policy fellow with Connecticut Voices for Children, a non-profit organization that conducts research and public policy analysis to promote the well-being of Connecticut's children, youth, and families. Dr. Lee directs state-funded independent performance monitoring in Connecticut's HUSKY Program (Medicaid and CHIP), a publicly funded program that serves over 400,000 children, parents, and pregnant women in low income families. This work is designed to promote data-driven policy development and ongoing evaluation of enrollment trends and access to care. Dr. Lee is also



a member of the faculty of the Yale University School of Public Health.

#### Diane Limbo, BS, MSN, RN, CPNP

Director of Health Integration- Healthy Smiles for Kids of Orange County

Diane Limbo, BS, MSN, RN, CPNP, is a pediatric nurse practitioner and director of Health Integration at Healthy Smiles for Kids of Orange County. She has worked at several Boston Hospitals including Brigham & Women's Hospital and The Children's Hospital specializing in maternal and infant health issues. Her area of expertise while there was adolescent pregnant and parenting teens and their young children. Ms. Limbo trained at Boston University and Simmons College in Boston.

#### Robert Russell, DDS, MPH

Public Health Dental Director and Chief, Oral & Health Delivery Systems- Iowa Department of Public Health

Robert Russell, DDS, MPH, is dental director and chief of Oral and Health Delivery Systems at the Iowa Department of Public Health. Dr. Russell served eight years as a state dental director, and directed both a rural and urban federally qualified health center (FQHC) based dental program for twelve years. He is a former member of the Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors (ASTCC) Board of Directors, and current Chair of the State Program Assistance and Resource Committee (SPARC). He is also a member of the Board of Directors of National Network for Oral Health Access (NNOHA) and Delta Dental of Iowa Foundation. Dr. Russell is a consultant with DentaQuest developing the Disease Elimination Project. He graduated from Loyola University Dental School in 1988.

## **Christopher Smiley, DDS**

President and Owner- Smiley Family Dentistry, PC

Christopher Smiley, DDS, is president and owner of Smiley Family Dentistry, PC. He is chairman of the Dental Quality Alliance (DQA) and has served as liaison to the DQA Research and Development Advisory Committee. Dr. Smiley is past chairman of the American Dental Association (ADA) Council on Dental Benefit Programs and serves as a consultant to its Subcommittee on the Code. He also serves as chairman of the ADA committee developing evidence-based clinical recommendations for the treatment of periodontitis and as a member of the Evidence-Based Dentistry Champions Conference Organizing Committee.





# **Andrew Snyder**

Policy Specialist- National Academy for State Health Policy

Andrew Snyder is a policy specialist at the National Academy for State Health Policy (NASHP). He is responsible for analyzing state policies related to eligibility, enrollment, and benefit design in Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) programs. He has worked on issues relating to data systems, public health, the healthcare safety net, and particularly on issues related to oral health. Previously a program manager at the Pew Children's Dental Campaign, Mr. Snyder oversaw large research projects, including an extensive 50-state comparison of policies related to children's dental care. From 2002 to 2006, Mr. Snyder was a policy analyst at the Wisconsin Medicaid program, where he staffed a Governor's Task Force on Access to Oral Health Care. He holds a master's degree in public affairs from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.