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Speaker Biographies
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Jennifer Adams, LMSW

Jennifer Adams is the bone marrow transplant social worker at Methodist Hospital, San Antonio, Texas. She focuses on the psychosocial and educational needs of patients and their caregivers when going through the stem cell transplant process.

Sage Bolte, PhD, LCSW, OSW-C

Dr. Bolte is an oncology counselor at Life with Cancer, Inova Cancer Services, a program in Fairfax, Virginia. She specializes in how cancer and its treatments affect the sexual self, and relationships in persons of all ages, at all stages of cancer survivorship.

Jennifer Carrera, LCSW

Jennifer Carrera is a social worker for the Oncology Support Team and Palliative Care Team at Methodist Hospital, San Antonio, Texas. She is also a facilitator for "iconnect," a young adult survivor support group.

Cay Crow, MA, LPC

Cay Crow is a licensed professional counselor and an AASECT-Certified Sex Therapist with a private practice in San Antonio, Texas. She also teaches Human Sexuality at San Antonio College.

Cynthia Fitchpatrick, MED, CCLS

Cynthia Fitchpatrick is a child life specialist at the Children's Blood and Cancer Center at Dell Children's Medical Center. She works closely with pediatric oncology families as well as with schools to make sure pediatric cancer children are set up for success when they return to school.

Kim Fryar, MS, MED, CCLS, NCC

Kim Fryar serves as a senior child life specialist and the program director with Wonders & Worries, Inc., Austin, Texas, a non-profit organization providing support to children and teens whom have a parent or caregiver with a serious illness.

Amy Glass, MBA, CPC, CPC-H

Amy Glass is a regional account manager with Millennium Pharmaceuticals in Dallas, Texas. Amy has extensive experience in drug and device reimbursement and government relations for both the medical device and biologic/oncology infusion industries.

Helen Goldberg, MD

Dr. Helen Goldberg is an inpatient hematology/oncology hospitalist in San Antonio, Texas. She opened the Blue Sage Center for Integrative Oncology in 2012, where she provides consultation for patients with cancer, survivors and those at risk for cancer.

Della Howell, MD

Dr. Della Howell is a staff pediatric hematologist/oncologist at Brooke Army Medical Center, San Antonio, Texas. She earned her medical degree at Virginia Commonwealth University, completed her Internship and Residency in Pediatrics at the San Antonio Military Pediatric Consortium, and completed a Fellowship in Pediatric Hematology/Oncology at Emory University.

Heidi Jensen, MS, RD, CSO, LD

Heidi Jensen is one of the first registered dietitians to receive board certification as a specialist in oncology nutrition. She is the Oncology Nutrition Specialist at Jensen Nutrition & Wellness, San Antonio, Texas.

Joel Marcus, PsyD

Dr. Joel Marcus is the Director of Psychosocial Oncology & Palliative Care Services at Ochsner Cancer Institute's Gayle & Tom Benson Cancer Center, New Orleans, Louisiana. Dr. Marcus is a clinical psychologist who brings over a decade of experience in the development and implementation of psychosocial oncology, end of life, and palliative care service.

Jeff Monaco, MS, CSCS

Jeff Monaco is a senior exercise physiologist and the Community Outreach Coordinator on the "Maximizing Cancer Survivorship: Implementation of an Evidence-Based Exercise Program" grant at the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, Texas.

Rebecca V. Nellis, MPP

Rebecca V. Nellis is the Vice President of Programs and Strategy for Cancer and Careers, New York, NY. Rebecca has launched the National Conference on Work & Cancer, The Cancer and Careers Online Coaching Center and the nationally held Balancing Cancer and Careers Community Seminars. She speaks regularly at national cancer conferences on the practical issues of balancing a diagnosis and employment.

Scott Riccio

Scott Riccio is the Vice President Advocacy and External Affairs at The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, Washington, D.C. He provides professional leadership and management of LLS's policy –related external activities, with an emphasis on health care policies that address the medical, psychosocial, and economic needs of patients with blood cancer.

Dan Shapiro, PhD

Dr. Dan Shapiro is an Arnold P. Gold Foundation Professor of Medical Humanism and the Chair of the Department of Humanities at Penn State College of Medicine. He is the author of *Mom's Marijuana: Life, Love, and Beating the Odds* and *Delivering Doctor Amelia*. His writings about the patient experience and physician patient relationships have been featured in the New York Times, JAMA, Salon.com, Academic Medicine and the Today Show. He is the regular weekly consultant to the hit television shows "Grey's Anatomy" and "Private Practice."

Paul Shaughnessy, MD

Dr. Paul Shaughnessy is the Medical Director of the Adult Blood and Marrow Stem Cell Transplant Program at the Texas Transplant Institute in San Antonio, Texas. Dr. Shaughnessy is also an Assistant Professor of Medicine at the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, Texas.

Kristin Simar, ANP, NPONC, RN

Kristin Simar is a nurse practitioner at MD Anderson in the Lymphoma/Myeloma Department where she runs the Lymphoma Survivorship Clinic. She received her Master's in Science and Nursing from Yale University School of Nursing.

Richard Winneker, PhD

Dr. Richard Winneker is the Senior Vice President of Research for The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. Dr. Winneker conducted his postdoctoral research at the Cell Biology Department, Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, Texas and has more than 20 years of experience in pharmaceutical research and development in the private sector.

Nikki Yuill, LCSW

Nikki Yuill is a clinical social worker who specializes in oncology. She manages the inpatient cancer support team at Methodist Hospital. This team focuses on the psychosocial and education needs of cancer patients and their families.