

# NASCSA Conference 2022

## Speaker Biographies

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### **Stella Bailey**

Stella Bailey oversees the function and strategic priorities of the North Carolina's DHHS Justice Systems Innovation Section, situated in the Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Services. Stella has an MSc in Public Health from the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine and was a Fellow of the UK's Royal Society for Public Health from 2016 to 2020. Before returning to the US in 2019, Stella provided strategic leadership in substance misuse prevention and community safety to local government. Stella is well versed in navigating competing demands of innovations in health and data technology, with existing legislative requirements to address complex issues resulting in successful policies to improve pathways to services for excluded adults. As Section Chief of the Justice Systems Innovation Section, Stella is at the helm of North Carolina's Drug Control Unit, driving system improvements in the state's response to controlled substances regulations and diversion prevention. Stella has been a member of NASCSA since October 2019, and a member of the Controlled Substances Committee since 2020.

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### **Mitchell Barnett**

Mitchell Barnett is the Associate Director of the Iowa Prescription Monitoring Program with the Iowa Board of Pharmacy and Iowa Department of Health and Human Services. Mitch earned an undergraduate degree in pharmacy from the University of Iowa, and later went on to earn a doctorate in pharmacy and a master's degree, also from the University of Iowa, before completing a post-doc fellowship in clinical outcomes. While still relatively new to the world of PMP, Mitch has been actively involved in health services research and patient claims analyses for over 20 years, including holding positions at the Iowa City VAMC Center of Excellence and Touro University-California, College of Pharmacy. Mitch has published over 70 research articles and book chapters and has presented at numerous regional, national and international meetings.

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### **Nancy Bishop**

Nancy Bishop serves as State Pharmacy Director at the Alabama Department of Public Health. In her current position, Ms. Bishop serves as the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) Director, trains health professionals on the use of the PDMP, oversees the naloxone distribution program, participates in emergency preparedness readiness training, manages medications used in emergencies and disasters, manages Pharmacy Division grants, and has a consulting role with the county health departments and other programs throughout the state. She is also managing pharmacy-related COVID-19 activities within the Department. With 40 years of experience as a pharmacist, she has worked in a variety of settings including hospital, retail, home infusion and specialty. She is a member of the Alabama Pharmacist Association and the American Pharmacist Association. Ms. Bishop earned her Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy degree from Auburn University.

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### **Sarah Boblenz**

DEA Policy Analyst Sarah Boblenz is an Iowa native and started her career with DEA in 2003. For the first 18 years she worked as a Diversion Investigator and conducted field investigations in Des Moines, Iowa; Knoxville, Tennessee; and New Delhi, India. She supervised a group in Des Moines, Iowa and was the Omaha Field Division's Program Manager where she oversaw inspections relating to the recordkeeping and security of controlled substances. She coordinated major criminal and civil investigations relating to the diversion of controlled substances, and maintained relationships with state regulatory boards, federal agencies, and with state and local law enforcement agencies.

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Ms. Boblenz is currently assigned to the Policy Section at DEA Headquarters. This unit deals with complex regulatory questions surrounding the manufacture, distribution, dispensing, and disposal of controlled substances and listed chemicals. In addition to responding to inquiries, her other projects entail working with practitioners to expand medication assisted treatment, and drafting and editing external facing manuals that are published on DEA's website.

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### **Claire Brennan**

Claire Brennan is a Diversion Investigator for the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) who is currently the Chief of the Liaison Section for the Diversion Control Division in Arlington, VA. In this role, Ms. Brennan is responsible for the Liaison Section, ensuring that program objectives are met and acts as a liaison with DEA registrants and other partners in the prevention of diversion of controlled substances. Ms. Brennan has been employed with the DEA for 26 years and throughout her career has worked in the New Jersey, Seattle, and New England Division Offices as a Diversion Investigator, Diversion Group Supervisor, and Diversion Program Manager, respectively. Ms. Brennan holds a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Scranton.

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### **Paula Broome, J.D.**

Paula Broome is the Director of Training for the Children's Advocacy Centers of MS where she develops, coordinates and provides training to professionals on child abuse and other crimes against children. She retired from the MS Attorney General's Office in 2021 after 17 years as a Special Assistant Attorney General where she developed and conducted statewide training for various professionals on a variety of legal topics such as domestic violence, sexual assault, human trafficking, crimes against children, report writing and courtroom testimony. Paula has also provided educational seminars both nationally and internationally for numerous groups and conferences. She serves as a faculty member for the Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Course, the Child First course on forensic interviewing and the Interdiction for the Protection of Children course. In 2016, the American Bar Association, Commission on Domestic and Sexual Violence selected Paula as the recipient of the 2016 "Sharon Corbitt Award," which recognizes outstanding contributions by an attorney in the field of domestic violence. In 2017, the International Association of Forensic Nurses presented Paula with the Patron of the Year award, which recognizes a non-nurse who has contributed significantly to the advancement, growth, and success of forensic nursing. Paula has both prosecution and civil litigation experience. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in sociology from Millsaps College, a Master of Science degree in criminal justice from Northeastern University and a Juris Doctorate from MS College School of Law.

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### **Travis Butchello**

Travis Butchello serves as Director of State Government Affairs for the Healthcare Distribution Alliance ("HDA") where he is responsible for all advocacy before state governments in ten states. HDA serves as the national trade association for pharmaceutical wholesale distributors – the vital link between the nation's pharmaceutical manufacturers and pharmacies, hospitals, long-term care facilities, clinics, and others nationwide. HDA members include national, regional and specialty primary distribution companies who are not just distributors, but are technology innovators, information management experts, security specialists and efficiency professionals.

Before joining HDA, Travis served most recently as Senior Policy Officer and Legal Counsel for the Ohio House of Representatives where he was responsible for the development and implementation of all health and human services policy for the Speaker. Prior to that, he served as a Regulatory Policy Advisor in the Kasich Administration where he coordinated administrative rule review and development for all HHS agencies, boards, and commissions.

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### **Dominic Chiapperino**

Dr. Dominic Chiapperino is currently the Director of the Controlled Substance Staff (CSS), in the Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, Office of the Center Director. In this position, he and his staff work extensively on FDA policy and regulatory issues related to drug abuse potential assessment and the evaluation of dependence liability. This work includes the assessment of new molecular entities, consideration of substances for drug scheduling under the Controlled Substances Act, and regulatory issues related to cannabis and the conduct of research with cannabis and its

constituent compounds, including for purposes of drug development. Dr. Chiapperino received his PhD in organic chemistry from the University of Maryland in 2000 and conducted post-doctoral research with the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases before beginning his career with FDA in 2002.

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### **Harry Cunnane**

Harry Cunnane has been an active member of the addiction recovery community since his recovery began in 2012. He is the co-author of two books; *Under Our Roof*, a family addiction and recovery memoir, and *You Are Always Loved*, a children's book aimed at lessening the stigma around substance use disorder. He currently works as Regional Vice President for Caron Treatment Centers, the same treatment center where he originally sought help for his own addiction. In this role, Harry is responsible for advancing the center's fundraising efforts and managing the growth of the regional advisory board for the D.C., Maryland, and Virginia region. He lives in New Jersey, with his wife, and three children.

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### **Jennifer Falkenrath**

Jennifer Falkenrath is a Senior Research Associate at Pharma Solutions. Previous to this role, she was a Bureau Manager with Utah's Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing, overseeing nine professional licensing Boards, including pharmacy. Not only did Jennifer regulate the pharmacy field, but she also practiced in it as she has been a licensed pharmacy technician since 2005. She has served on various Boards. Jennifer received a Pandemic Assistance Medal from Governor Spencer J Cox in October 2021 for her service to the State of Utah during the COVID-19 pandemic. She graduated from the SJ Quinney College of Law with a Masters in Legal Studies in 2021. In her free time, she enjoys traveling, hiking, and spending time with her family.

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### **David Furlong**

David Furlong is the Chief Investigator for the Utah Department of Commerce, Division of Professional Licensing, more commonly known as "DOPL". David began his law enforcement career in July of 1980, working for the Centerville Utah Police Department and then in 1981 for the Evanston Wyoming Police Department. At that time Evanston was an "Oil Boomtown" that had jumped from seven (7) officers to 32 officers in just four (4) short years.

David is a graduate of the Wyoming Law Enforcement Academy and has over 5000 hours of Wyoming POST certified training. He has also obtained his Utah POST Mid-Level Management and K-9 Instructor certifications. His positions with the Evanston Police Department include Patrol Officer, Field Training Officer, Patrol Sergeant, Administrative Sergeant, Detective Sergeant, and Investigations Lieutenant. In 2006, after 26 years of service in law enforcement, David retired from the Evanston Police Department.

In 2006 David moved back to Utah taking a job as a Consumer Fraud Investigator with the Utah Division of Consumer Protection. During his tenure with Consumer Protection, He was involved in several high-profile cases. In 2011, David was promoted within the Department of Commerce to his current position as Chief Investigator with DOPL. He currently supervises 42 members of the Bureau of Investigation.

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### **John Gilbert**

John A. Gilbert, Jr. counsels and advises clients on legal and regulatory issues involving controlled substances, prescription drugs, and precursor chemicals. His expertise extends to international, federal and state laws and regulations governing the scheduling, manufacturing, distribution, dispensing, import and export of controlled substances drugs and precursor chemicals. Mr. Gilbert has advised numerous companies at all levels of the drug supply chain on legal, regulatory and enforcement matters involving the Controlled Substances Act (CSA) and state laws governing controlled substances and precursor chemicals. Mr. Gilbert frequently conducts investigations and inspections related to compliance with federal and state laws and has handled numerous civil litigation matters involving

violations of federal and state laws including actions before the DEA Office of Administrative Law Judges and civil actions initiated by U.S. Attorney Offices in federal court.

Mr. Gilbert has extensive experience in scheduling and regulation of controlled substances under the international drug control treaties and issues related to the United Nations Drug Control Program. He has advised and represented clients on matters related to the World Health Organization's Expert Committee on Drug Dependence, the International Narcotics Control Board and the U.N. Commission on Narcotic Drugs. Mr. Gilbert also advises clients on compliance with federal and state requirements on licensing, pedigree, track and trace, and drug sampling requirements, including regulations associated with the Drug Quality and Security Act. Before joining the firm in 1995, Mr., Gilbert was an attorney in the DEA's Office of Chief Counsel, Diversion/Regulatory Section. He also served as law clerk to the DEA's Chief Administrative Law Judge as part of the U.S. Department of Justice's Honors Program.

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### **Jean Hall**

Jean Hall is the KASPER Program Administrator, the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services Prescription Drug Monitoring Program. Jean previously served as the KASPER Integration Project Manager. Jean has more than 20 years working with healthcare and public health programs and technologies.

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### **Janet Hart**

Janet Getzey Hart R.Ph. is a Director of Regulatory and Government Affairs for Rite Aid. A registered pharmacist, Janet has been with Rite Aid 34 years starting as a Pharmacy Intern. She has held various positions within Rite Aid such as District Manager, Division Manager and now Director. Janet spent 10 years in Pharmacy Operations lastly responsible for Rite Aid Pharmacy locations in the Baltimore market. She currently works in the corporate office with responsibility for Controlled Substance compliance and compliance with Prescription Monitoring Programs. Janet is currently the District II member of the NABP Executive Committee, the Chairperson of the Pennsylvania Board of Pharmacy, member of the ABC-MAPS Advisory Board in Pennsylvania, former member of the Medical Marijuana Advisory Board in Pennsylvania and served two terms on the Maryland Prescription Monitoring Board. Janet is a graduate of Duquesne University School of Pharmacy and was the recipient of the President's Award from NASCSA in 2013.

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### **Elizabeth F Howell**

Elizabeth F Howell, MD, MS, DLFAPA, DFASAM has worked in the addictions field since 1983 in public, private and academic settings. She is Professor of Psychiatry (Clinical) at the University of Utah School of Medicine in Salt Lake City, Utah. She has an inpatient and outpatient clinical practice at the Huntsman Mental Health Institute (formerly University Neuropsychiatric Institute) and University of Utah Health. She is Board certified in Psychiatry and Addiction Psychiatry by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology, and in Addiction Medicine by the American Board of Preventive Medicine. She is a Distinguished Fellow of the American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) and a Distinguished Life Fellow of the American Psychiatric Association (APA). She developed and is training director for the Addiction Psychiatry and Addiction Medicine ACGME-accredited fellowship programs at the University of Utah School of Medicine.

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### **Christopher Jones**

Christopher Jones, PharmD, DrPH, MPH (CAPT U.S. Public Health Service), currently serves as the acting director of the National Center for Injury Prevention and Control. When not serving as the acting director, Dr. Jones is the deputy director of NCIPC. In this role, he is the primary scientific advisor to the NCIPC director and other senior staff on science issues in public health, clinical care implementation, epidemiology, biostatistics, economics, and behavioral science. In addition, he provides scientific leadership and drives NCIPC's strategic direction by overseeing the refinement of the scientific research agenda and the coordination on the NCIPC strategic priorities of drug overdose, suicide prevention, and adverse childhood experiences. As deputy director, he also oversees and enhances collaboration among NCIPC's Office of Science, Office of Informatics, Office of Strategy and Innovation, and Overdose Response

Coordinating Unit. Prior to becoming deputy director, Dr. Jones served as associate director of the NCIPC Office of Strategy and Innovation.

Prior to joining CDC, Dr. Jones served as the first director of the National Mental Health and Substance Use Policy Laboratory at the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). The Policy Lab is responsible for identifying, coordinating, and facilitating the implementation of policies to improve mental health and substance use prevention, treatment and recovery, and with advancing innovation and the dissemination and adoption of evidence-based practices and programs related to mental health and substance use. Prior to SAMHSA, Dr. Jones served as acting associate deputy assistant secretary for Science and Data Policy and director of the Division of Science Policy in the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation (ASPE) at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). During his career, Dr. Jones has served as senior advisor in the Office of the Commissioner at the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and led the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) drug abuse and overdose activities, where he focused on strategic policy development and implementation, engaging national and state partners, and conducting research to improve policy and clinical practice. In addition, he was detailed to the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy as the senior public health advisor, led the FDA's Drug Safety and Risk Communication team, and served on the Science Team in the CDC's Strategic National Stockpile.

He received a Bachelor of Science degree from Reinhardt College, a Doctor of Pharmacy degree from Mercer University, a Master of Public Health degree from New York Medical College, and a Doctor of Public Health in Health Policy from The George Washington University Milken Institute School of Public Health. Dr. Jones is a captain in the U.S. Public Health Service and has authored more than 100 peer-reviewed publications on the topics of substance use, drug overdose, adverse childhood experiences, and mental health.

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### **Sami Lindsay**

I am a person in long term recovery. I have been working with USARA for over a year now. Utah Support Advocates for Recovery Awareness, also known as USARA, is a recovery center as well as a non-profit organization which makes our services free to the public. We cater to people who suffer from substance use disorder. We offer one on one support, support through meetings, and we connect people to resources. I am part of the ARCHES team (Addiction Recovery Coaching in Healthcare and Emergency Settings) where we meet with people in hospitals that are recovering from certain medical issues caused by their substance use. We offer them support and resources for after they get out of the hospital. I've been working in the field of recovery for about two years now, I'm currently enrolled in school to further my education. The goal is to go into social work. I have experience working in the medical field as a CNA, Medical Assistant at a doctors office, and a phlebotomist. I have always loved the medical field and I have found true joy in working in recovery so to be able to have a career where I am apart of both is amazing.

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### **Rodrick Marriott**

Rodrick Marriott currently serves as the Director of the Connecticut Drug Control Division at the Department of Consumer Protection, and is the youngest person ever to serve in that role. Prior to his time as director, Rodrick was a Drug Control Agent with the state for nearly 10 years, and practiced pharmacy from 2004 to 2008. Rodrick graduated from Northeastern University with a Doctor of Pharmacy degree in 2004 and lives in Cheshire Connecticut wife his wife and two small children.

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### **Alan McGill**

Alan McGill is a Senior Supervisory Special Agent with the Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General and currently assigned to the Office of Public Engagement. Agent McGill has been a professional investigator for over 35 years with 27 years in law enforcement. He served nearly 20 years at the Bureaus of Narcotics Investigation and Drug Control with his previous assignment being a Street Supervisor and Drug Diversion Unit Supervisor. He also served as an Undercover Narcotics Agent, Drug Task Force Coordinator, Drug Diversion Agent, Computer Voice Stress Analyst, PDMP BNI Statewide Supervisor, Clandestine Laboratory Enforcement Program member and an "A" and "B" Technician installing wiretap equipment. Although Agent McGill's undercover experience is extensive, he is best known as a subject matter expert in Drug Diversion and is court qualified as an expert. Agent McGill routinely conducts Drug Diversion presentations and trainings for practitioners and law enforcement in Pennsylvania. Agent McGill also conducts drug

diversion lectures at over 25 university practitioner programs in Pennsylvania and is a national speaker on the subject. In addition to conducting training lectures, Agent McGill also authored an article published in The Keystone Veterinary Magazine on Drug Diversion in veterinary practices and he has hosted podcasts for the Office of Attorney General that can be found on the Pennsylvania Attorney General website. Agent McGill joined NASCSA (National Association of State Controlled Substance Authorities) in 2014 serving on various committees including co-chairing the Education Committee and chairing the Executive Committee. In 2021 he was elected President of NASCSA. He also created The NASCSA Podcast and is the current producer and host.

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### **Cameron McNamee**

Cameron McNamee currently serves as the Director of Policy and Communications for the State of Ohio Board of Pharmacy. In this role, Cameron is responsible for the development and implementation of strategies to advance the Board's legislative initiatives and other interests relating to the General Assembly. He works closely with the Ohio General Assembly on legislation to address prescription drug abuse and unintentional drug overdose. Cameron is also responsible for overseeing the Board's administrative rule making process and all external communications to licensees, stakeholders and the general public.

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### **Elisabeth Fowlie Mock**

Elisabeth Fowlie Mock, MD, MPH, FAAFP, received her doctorate from Vanderbilt University School of Medicine and a Master of Public Health in Health Policy and Administration from UNC-Chapel Hill. She also attended Colby College and Emory University. She is Board Certified in Family Medicine and Addiction Medicine. She works primarily as a consultant and clinical educator with per diem hospitalist and buprenorphine clinic shifts. Interests include women's basketball, chess, Toastmasters and she is a certified basketball referee. She lives in Bangor, Maine with her husband and 2 pandemic pups now that her 3 kids are in their peri-college years.

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### **Machelle Neal**

Machelle Neal holds the position of Principal, Regulatory Consulting Services for IQVIA U.S. Compliance Solutions Group (formerly BuzzeoPDMA). Ms. Neal currently manages and oversees the US Compliance Regulatory Consulting Group and provides subject matter expertise to the industry and the health care community in the areas of the Controlled Substance Act, Prescription Drug Marketing Act and more specifically, state pharmacy and wholesale distribution regulatory issues.

With over 28 years of pharmacy operational and regulatory compliance experience in the healthcare industry, Ms. Neal assists clients with the development and maintenance of programs for pharmacy regulatory compliance, diversion surveillance and prevention, state and federal pharmacy and wholesale distribution licensing and regulatory determinations, and provides regulatory and operational training specific to these areas. Prior to this position, Ms. Neal was Compliance Director of State and Compliance Services, where she was responsible for the regulatory review and auditing functions of our consulting staff, and for the management of our regulatory research, state survey, and licensing departments. Previously, she held the position of Director, State Liaison for the company where she managed the company's federal and state regulatory research programs and established ongoing professional relationships with the federal and state offices, providing clients with a resource as liaison to federal and state agencies.

Prior to joining BuzzeoPDMA, Ms. Neal was employed as Compliance Manager, Regulatory Compliance by Omnicare, Inc., the nation's largest professional pharmacy related consulting and data management services for long-term care. Ms. Neal was responsible for the development of the company's regulatory compliance program and was responsible for the day-to-day regulatory oversight of approximately 230 institutional pharmacies nationwide. Prior to her position as Manager, Regulatory Compliance, Ms. Neal held the position of Manager, Corporate Communications with Omnicare where she was responsible for the management of the company's shareholder services, sales and marketing development, implementation, and training resources. Ms. Neal graduated Cum Laude from Cincinnati State College, Cincinnati, Ohio.

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### **Sarah Pointer**

Sarah Pointer received her Doctor of Pharmacy degree from Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa. She worked as a Clinical Pharmacist at St. John's Hospital in Springfield, IL for 15 years. Specializing in Critical Care for several years, she has served as a Critical Care Preceptor for several area universities before transitioning to a position with the State of Illinois in 2013. She began her career with the State of Illinois as a Clinical Pharmacist for the Department of Healthcare and Family Services in both Medicaid and Managed Care prior becoming the Clinical Director of the Illinois Prescription Monitoring Program in 2017. Sarah operationally directs the Prescription Monitoring Program Advisory Committee and its peer-review subcommittee. She assists in the coordination and oversight of projects such as EHR integration, continuing education, academic detailing, PMP evaluation, community outreach, and public health outreach programs in various counties throughout the state of Illinois. She is also an active member of multiple opioid related task forces and coalitions throughout the State of Illinois.

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### **Doug Skvarla**

Doug Skvarla started as the Director of the Arizona Controlled Substances Prescription Monitoring Program in 2017. Immediately upon starting his new role, Doug became a member of a collaborative work group that updated Arizona's Opioid Prescribing Guidelines in 2018. During his time as director, Doug has been a member of Arizona Prescription Drug Misuse and Abuse Initiative Health Care Advisory Team. Additionally, he was a member of the Arizona Substance Abuse Partnership Community Outreach and Training Workgroup that was run by the Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family with a focus on community outreach. Doug strives to foster healthy and collaborative relationships with key stakeholders and governmental agencies to help fight the opioid epidemic. Previous to his work with the Prescription Monitoring Program, he worked for 22 years as a pharmacist and held roles of pharmacist in charge and district pharmacy supervisor. In 2016, he was appointed to be a member of the Board of Pharmacy where he served the state of Arizona until starting his current role as CSPMP Director. Doug started attending NASCSA conferences in 2017. He appreciates the networking that takes place during the conferences. Over the last four years, he has been active on the Program, Educational, and PMP committees as well as serving on a task force to update the NASCSA PMP Model Act.

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### **Sidney Seal**

Sidney "Sid" Seal, R.Ph., Oxford, MS., B.S. Pharmacy 1985, University of Mississippi School of Pharmacy; 1985-2011, Super D/USA Drugs, Pharmacist, PIC, District Supervisory positions; 2011-present, Mississippi Board of Pharmacy, Sr. Compliance Agent, Pharmacy regulatory/Drug Diversion/Fraud cases with MS Bureau of Narcotics, Medicaid, MS AGO, DEA, and FBI; 2014-2017, Secretary MS Chapter of NADDI (Nat'l Assn of Drug Diversion Investigators), Mississippi Opioid and Addiction Town Hall Meetings, Speaker/Presenter, Avid college sports fan, music aficionado, and collector of signed first addition books; Proud husband, father, and grandfather.

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### **Mary-Lou Schoonover**

Mary-Lou Schoonover currently serves as the Customer Due Diligence and State Licensing Manager for Par Pharmaceuticals, Inc., an Endo owned company. She is responsible for the licensing of all the Par/Endo entities as well as the DEA Suspicious Order Monitoring/Customer Due Diligence program. Mary-Lou has over 20 years of combined experience between PDMA and DEA compliance in the pharmaceutical industry. She has work for MedPro Systems, Allergan (formerly Actavis), Reckitt Benckiser and lastly, the United States Pharmacopeia. Considered a subject matter expert in State Licensing, PDMA and DEA Compliance, Mary-Lou attributes her wealth of knowledge and success to the many folks she has worked with. She has a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and Management from Centenary University and is a graduate of the National Academy of Paralegal Studies. Mary-Lou is a Certified Corporate Paralegal. She has served as an industry volunteer on several committees at NASCSA for many years. Mary-Lou has also presented at NASCSA and other industry conferences. She is a member of or affiliated with NASCSA, NADDI and IQVIA. In her spare time, Mary-Lou volunteers for the Center for Prevention in Sussex County, NJ.

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### **Lisa Sherrell**

Lisa Sherrell is the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) Manager for the State of Alaska. Since joining the PDMP in January of 2020, she has focused on education efforts with health care provider licensees and developing partnerships with other stakeholders. Lisa oversees the training of 20 staff across six healthcare licensing boards to ensure program cohesion and consistency, and meets with boards quarterly to provide updates and obtain feedback. Lisa has successfully leveraged partnerships to obtain funding for PDMP improvements including statewide integration efforts, more staff to assist with monitoring compliance, and other enhancements to the Alaska PDMP. Prior to public service, Lisa worked as the Production and Operations Manager for an electrical engineering firm. She has a background in Geographic Information Systems (GIS), worked as an interpreter for the deaf, a Park Ranger for the National Park Service, and out-fished her husband three days in a row for the first time ever in July of this year.

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### **Sumeet Singh**

Sumeet Singh founded Pharma Solutions in October 2015 and, as CEO, is responsible for leading the development and implementation of the company's strategic vision. Sumeet is a thought leader in the space, having been invited to educate state regulatory agencies, published in trade publications including Pharmaceutical Commerce and Pharmacy Times, and invited to speak at multiple industry events including ACI's Controlled Substances Summit, IQPC's Pharmaceutical Traceability Forum, the PBOA's Annual Meeting & Conference, and Chain76.

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### **Chelsea Townsend**

Chelsea Townsend is the Director of the Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP) for South Carolina. Chelsea graduated from the South Carolina College of Pharmacy in 2015 with a Doctor of Pharmacy degree. Upon graduation, she began working for Rite Aid, and subsequently Walgreens. In the community pharmacy setting, Chelsea focused on direct patient outcomes through Medicare MTM, various immunization initiatives, and assisting in naloxone protocol procedures. In 2021, she onboarded with the SC Department of Health and Environmental Control's Bureau of Drug Control to start her current role. Chelsea is a member of the NABP PMP Interconnect steering committee, NASCSA PMP committee, NASCSA PMP Data Integrity Subcommittee, and the RxCheck Governance Board. Additionally, she is a member of the South Carolina Opioid Emergency Response Team (OERT) and the OERT Data Subcommittee.

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### **Eric Triana**

Eric Triana currently serves as the Deputy Assistant Administrator over DEA's global program for Diversion Control Operations. Mr. Triana is responsible for overseeing and coordinating major pharmaceutical investigations and chemical diversion investigations; evaluating drugs and chemicals for developing drug control policies and scheduling; drafting and promulgating regulations; establishing drug production quotas; and conducting liaison with the pharmaceutical industry, international governments, state governments, other federal agencies, and local law enforcement agencies.

Mr. Triana began his career as an accountant in a firm in Hoboken, NJ and entered law enforcement in 1997 with the Baltimore City Police Department. In late 2000, Mr. Triana left the Police Department as a Detective and became a Special Agent with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) where he was assigned to New York City (NYC). As a Special Agent, Mr. Triana leveraged his bilingual capabilities and primarily investigated and dismantled drug trafficking organizations based in Colombia and Mexico. In 2010, Mr. Triana was promoted to a Group Supervisor of a Tactical Diversion Squad (TDS) in NYC, where he directly supervised a Group of Special Agents, Diversion Investigators, federal and state health care fraud Investigators, and local police detectives. While in this position, Mr. Triana successfully brought criminal, civil and administrative actions against DEA Registrants operating outside the scope of professional practice whose rogue actions contributed to the diversion of pharmaceutical controlled substances.

In 2016, Mr. Triana transferred to DEA Headquarters in Arlington, VA to the position of Unit Chief in the Diversion Control Division. In this role, Mr. Triana had investigative oversight of DEA's TDS and Diversion Groups. In July 2019, Mr. Triana was promoted to Assistant Special Agent in Charge in NYC where he oversaw

multiple enforcement groups comprised of various federal and state agencies to include Homeland Securities Investigations, Internal Revenue Service and Health and Human Services.

During his diverse 25-year DEA career, Mr. Triana has proven to be an effective leader with over a decade of experience in various supervisory roles. He is recognized for his expertise in pharmaceutical criminal, civil, and administrative investigations as well as required compliance of the DEA Registrant community with the Controlled Substance Act.

Mr. Triana holds a B.S. degree in Accounting from Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey, and a J.D. in Law from Seton Hall University School of Law. He is a member of the New Jersey State Bar Association and a Certified Fraud Examiner with the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners.