Kristin Ashford, Ph.D.
Professor and Assistant Dean
University of Kentucky College of Nursing

Ashford’s research topics include preterm births, tobacco use and secondhand smoke exposure during pregnancy, and perinatal opioid use disorder. She helped design the nurse navigator component of the Perinatal Assistance and Treatment Home, or PATHways program, a comprehensive approach to perinatal opioid use disorder at the university. She says that nurse facilitators are the “glue” that binds the intervention model, as they educate, navigate and advocate for pregnant women participating in the program.

Amber Burkhart
Manager of Public Policy
Colorado Hospital Association

Burkhart acts as a liaison to state regulatory agencies, the Colorado General Assembly and the broader health care community. She is responsible for analyzing complex regulatory and legislative health care issues impacting the Colorado Hospital Association’s 107 member hospitals and health systems. Prior to joining the association, Burkhart worked as a health policy analyst at the Colorado Consumer Health Initiative where she conducted research on important state and national policy issues to inform organization decision-making. As a project coordinator for an association of community safety net clinics, she coordinated an annual week-long event.

Rob Cohen
President
Appriss Health

Appriss Health is a healthcare analytics and technology company focused on behavioral health, substance use disorder, and the opioid crisis. As president, Rob has led the growth of Appriss Health to be a leader in prescription drug monitoring programs and point-of-care substance use disorder management platforms. A healthcare executive with over 20 years of experience ranging from start-ups to Fortune 50 corporations, Rob has deep experience in delivering services and technology to health plans, employers, providers, pharmacies, and government with expertise in value-based care, population health, and consumer directed healthcare.

Jennifer Conrad
Vice President of Behavioral Health
FEI Systems

Conrad assists states and counties with planning for and implementing systems that include evidence-based tools, costs and standard outcomes. FEI strives to help government
entities track, report and evaluate information related to behavioral health and social
determinants of care, to identify issues impacting treatment and prevention as they
happen, so that governments can attain better outcomes for their constituents. Conrad has
held this position for 13 years.

Agatha Critchfield, M.D.
Associate Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology
University of Kentucky College of Medicine

Critchfield directs the Perinatal Assistance and Treatment Home, or PATHways program, a
comprehensive approach to perinatal opioid use disorder, offering buprenorphine
maintenance treatment for opioid use disorders and neonatal abstinence syndrome (NAS),
peer support and education, legal support, prenatal and postnatal health services for
mother and baby, and health system navigation during delivery. She has been practicing
medicine for 12 years.

Ashel A. Kruetzkamp, M.S.N., R.N.,
Nurse Manager, Emergency Department,
St. Elizabeth Hospital, Edgewood, Kentucky

As nurse manager of the emergency department, Kruetzkamp has involved her staff in a
research project that involves nurse-to-nurse hand off communication to improve patient
continuity of care. She recognized her community’s heroin problem and began collecting
data in 2010 to document the problem and its growth. She was one of the first healthcare
professionals to join a community task force on heroin and now focuses on increasing
awareness and educating nurses and the community on the impact of heroin.

Richard Minerd
Chief Deputy Sheriff
Franklin County, Ohio

Minerd began his law enforcement career in May 1991. He has experience supervising the
Corrections Division, Communications Center, Patrol Bureau, Detective Bureau, Special
Investigations Unit and SWAT team. He currently oversees the Criminal Investigations
Division. He has served as a panelist for the Ohio Criminal Justice Services - Drug Trends
Conference, where he spoke extensively about synthetic drugs. He is an adjunct professor
at two Columbus universities.

Rob Perez
Owner, DV8 Kitchen
Lexington, Kentucky
Perez and his wife owned three restaurants in Lexington when they realized they had lost 13 employees to addiction over 10 years and half the cases were related to opioid drugs. In September 2017, they opened a restaurant that hires people in treatment for addiction, and partnering with local treatment facilities, the restaurant serves as a tool for rehabilitation.

**Megan Quattlebaum**  
**Director, CSG Justice Center**

As one of her many duties as director of the CSG Justice Center, Quattlebaum oversees the National Inventory of Collateral Consequences of Conviction, a search database of sanctions and restrictions that limit persons with criminal records from accessing employment and other opportunities. Before coming to the Justice Center in February 2018, she served as the program director of Yale Law School’s Justice Collaboratory. She also was a lecturer in law at Columbia University Law School. She has been in private practice law in New York City and served as a law clerk to a U.S. Court of Appeals judge.

**Matt Rohrbach, M.D.**  
**State Delegate**  
**West Virginia**

Rohrbach was first elected to the House of Delegates in 2014. He says his motive was to fight against the drug epidemic in West Virginia. During 2013, four of his close friends lost children and grandchildren to overdose deaths. He has sponsored or co-sponsored eight bills dealing directly with the drug crisis. He is a gastroenterologist practicing in a large primary care group in Huntington.

**Shawn Ryan, M.D.**  
**President and Chief Medical Officer, Brightview**  
**President, Ohio Society of Addiction Medicine**

Ryan is a founder of Brightview, an outpatient addiction medicine practice in several Ohio locations that uses medical treatment in conjunction with psychological and social services. He is responsible for strategic development, alignment of operations and medical practice, clinical and outcomes research, and maintaining focus on the mission and vision of the company. He is both a board certified addiction specialist and board certified emergency physician. He serves on many regional, state and national groups focused on turning the tide of the opioid epidemic.

**Duane Slone**  
**Circuit Judge**  
**Dandridge, Tennessee**
Slone serves as circuit judge for four Tennessee counties. He was first elected in 2006 and re-elected in 2014. He operates a drug recovery program in his court. He and another drug court judge founded and supervise a halfway home for pregnant women and new mothers with opioid use disorder. He served as a drug prosecutor before he was elected judge. Slone shifted his approach on the bench after he and his wife adopted a baby born with withdrawal symptoms.

David Stern, M.D.
Professor
University of Tennessee Health Science Center

Stern came to the University of Tennessee in 2011 after a long career as a physician-scientist. He has a long stint doing medical research at Columbia University and moved to administration and worked as medical school dean at the Medical College of Georgia. In July 2005 he became the dean at the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine. His interest in training medical students in opioid prescription and treatment of opioid use disorder dates to his time as dean of two medical schools.

Robert Stivers
Kentucky Senate President
CSG 2018 National Chair

Stivers has represented the 25th Senate District in Kentucky since 1997. He served as the Republican majority leader from 2008 to 2012 and became president of the Kentucky Senate on the opening day of the 2013 legislative session on Jan. 8. He worked as assistant commonwealth attorney in Clay County from 1989 to 1993. He is an attorney in private practice in Manchester, Kentucky.

Russell Travis, M.D.
Lexington, Kentucky

Travis is a neurosurgery specialist who has practiced for 52 years. He has been involved in health reform discussions at the state and national level for years. He was president of the Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure until earlier this year and was involved in the Board’s focus on the reduction of prescription drug abuse. He spearheaded creation of a continuing medical education course to address the opioid epidemic.

Corey Waller, M.D.
Principal, Health Management Associates
Managing partner, Taproot Health Strategies

Waller is a nationally recognized addiction expert and an actively practicing addiction, pain and emergency medicine specialist. As a principal at Health Management Associates and
chairman of the Legislative Advocacy Committee for the American Society of Addiction Medicine, he is directly responsible for consultation regarding treatment system development and education as well as all Washington, D.C.-related matters for the organization. In previous positions, Waller developed national training and technical assistance for the National Center for Complex Health and Social Needs and was medical director and medical staff chief of pain medicine for a 12-hospital health system.