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**2017 Inaugural Meeting**  
**November 7<sup>th</sup>, Washington DC**





## Welcome!

Dear Roundtable Members,

Welcome to the National Navigation Roundtable's First Annual Meeting.

The NNRT Annual Meeting is an important gathering of organizations and individuals whose mission is dedicated to achieving health equity and access to quality care across the cancer continuum through effective patient navigation. Today's meeting launches the efforts of the NNRT, and we are extremely excited to bring together the wealth of expertise and knowledge.

We want to thank the NNRT Steering Committee and others that have worked over the past several months in planning this meeting. The Committee has thoughtfully created an agenda to provide a forum to develop the framework for endeavors vital to accomplishing our mission. The work of the Roundtable will not duplicate the rich work that exists currently in the field, but act as a catalyst to disseminate and support the field of navigation.

The NCCRT Steering Committee is very pleased that you are participating in this inaugural meeting. We look forward to your continuing involvement in NNRT activities.

Again, welcome and thank you to all, we look forward to a successful meeting!

Sincerely,

Tracy Battaglia, MD, MPH  
Chair, National Navigation Roundtable

Andrea Dwyer  
Vice Chair, National Navigation Roundtable

## Mission & Vision

The National Navigation Roundtable (NNRT) launched in 2017 is a national coalition of over 40 member organizations and invited individuals, dedicated to achieving health equity and access to quality care across the cancer continuum through effective patient navigation. Our members include partners from diverse sectors including academia, public health, advocacy and survivor groups, professional societies, industry, training, and state and federal agencies among many others.

The goal of the Roundtable is to advance navigation efforts that (or in an effort to) eliminate barriers to quality cancer care, reduce disparities in health outcomes, and foster ongoing health equity.

The NNRT serves as a catalyst to initiate work on key issues around patient navigation, as well as to disseminate best practices and to overall enhance the field of navigation. The Roundtable is led by a Steering Committee, and through the efforts of its Task Groups, the Roundtable will lead initiatives that focus on:

- **Evidenced Based Promising Practices:** establishing an evidence based/outcome driven patient navigation model  
*Led by: Elizabeth Calhoun & Tricia Strusowski*
- **Training & Certification:** ensuring that there is an activated trained workforce-to implement the model  
*Led by: Linda Burhansstipanov & Patti Valverde*
- **Policy:** establishing policies to support paying for implementation of the model  
*Led by: Karen Freund, Katie Bathje & Elizabeth Rohan*

Our Task Groups develop projects to capitalize on the expertise of NNRT Roundtable member organizations to result in new solutions and resources.

A fundamental premise of the Roundtable is that collective action among member organizations will be more successful in advancing the field, than if they worked alone. A core principle of the Roundtable is that it will not duplicate or take on roles of member organizations; rather, the Roundtable seeks to enhance organization contributions in navigation through greater engagement with other stakeholders, as well as take on initiatives that all organizations deem worthy, but unlikely to initiate on their own.

Together, members work to share information, identify needs and opportunities, while addressing gaps relating to navigation.

## 2017 Meeting Agenda

<b>7:30 – 8:45 am</b>	Registration & Continental Breakfast
<b>9:00 – 9:10 am</b>	Welcome & Introductions Tracy Battaglia, Chair, National Navigation Roundtable Andrea Dwyer, Vice Chair, National Navigation Roundtable
<b>9:10 – 9:20 am</b>	Opening Remarks Harold P. Freeman, Honorary Chair, National Navigation Roundtable
<b>9:20 – 9:45 am</b>	Introduction to the National Navigation Roundtable Tracy Battaglia
<b>9:45 – 10:45 am</b>	Introduction to NNRT Task Groups – A Panel Discussion Moderator: Andrea Dwyer Evidenced Based Promising Practices: Beth Calhoun & Tricia Strusowski Policy: Karen Freund, Katie Bathje & Elizabeth Rohan Training & Certification: Linda Burhansstipanov & Patti Valverde
<b>11:00 am – 12:00 pm</b>	Task Group Breakouts
<b>12:15 – 1:00 pm</b>	Lunch <i>Networking opportunity among Roundtable Members</i>
<b>1:00 – 2:15 pm</b>	Task Group Breakouts Reconvene
<b>2:15 – 2:30 pm</b>	Break
<b>2:30 – 3:15 pm</b>	Task Group Chairs Reports Roundtable Members reconvene in General Session
<b>3:15 – 3:30 pm</b>	Meeting Wrap Up: Closing Remarks

## Steering Committee Members



### **Tracy Battaglia, MD, MPH**

Boston University Schools of Medicine and Public Health  
National Navigation Roundtable Chair

Dr. Battaglia is an Associate Professor of Medicine and Epidemiology at Boston University Schools of Medicine and Public Health where she is Interim Chief of the Section of General Internal Medicine. She also serves as the Director of the Women's Health Unit, a national Center of Excellence in Women's Health where she has achieved national recognition for improving the health of vulnerable women at risk for delays in care. As a practicing internist and breast health specialist at Boston Medical Center, the largest safety net medical center in New England, her approach to health disparities focuses largely on engaging the community as partners in the research process. She has 17 years of experience designing, implementing and evaluating community-engaged Patient Navigation programs to reduce delays across the continuum of cancer care, including co-leading the Boston site of the NCI's national Patient Navigation Research Program in which we recruited over 3,000 participants from Boston's low-income populations accounting for nearly 30% of the data to the national database. The American Cancer Society and the Patient Center Outcomes Research Institute support her research to study innovations in the delivery of patient navigation for low income cancer patients. As Director of the Community Engagement Program for the Boston University Clinical and Translational Science Award, she is leading a cooperative study funded by the National Center to Advance Translational Science (NCATS) in partnership with the four Massachusetts Clinical and Translational Science Award (CTSA) hubs (Boston University, Harvard University, Tufts University and University of Massachusetts) to support a City-wide dissemination study to reduce breast cancer disparities through a patient navigation network. Dr. Battaglia is also long-time volunteer leader for the American Cancer Society, where she recently served as Chair for the New England Division Board of Directors.

### **Andrea Dwyer**

University of Colorado  
National Navigation Roundtable Vice Chair

Andrea (Andi) Dwyer is the Co-Director of the Colorado Colorectal Screening Program at the University of Colorado Cancer Center and Program Director at the Colorado School of Public Health. She has worked for nearly ten years in the area of cancer survivorship and colorectal cancer prevention. Andi is also an instructor for the Colorado Patient Navigation Training. Andi is the Co-Chair of Scientific and Evidence Based Health Interventions and a Steering committee member of the National Colorectal Cancer Roundtable. She also serves as the Director of Health Promotion for Fight Colorectal Cancer, focusing on research and patient education. Ms. Dwyer is honored to serve as the Co-Chair for the National Patient Navigator Roundtable of the of the American Cancer Society.





## Harold P. Freeman, MD

Harold P. Freeman Patient Navigation Institute  
National Navigation Roundtable Honorary Chair

Harold P. Freeman, M.D. is president and CEO of the Harold P. Freeman Patient Navigation Institute in New York City. He is Professor of Surgery Emeritus, Columbia University and previously served as Director of Surgery at Harlem Hospital and Professor of Clinical Surgery at Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons. Dr. Freeman is a diplomat of the American Board of Surgery and a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons. He is also a member of the Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of Sciences.

Dr. Freeman is founder and Chairman Emeritus of the Ralph Lauren Center for Cancer Care and Prevention and founder and Medical Director of the Breast Examination Center of Harlem, a program of Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center. He was the first director of the National Cancer Institute (NCI) Center to Reduce Cancer Health Disparities and served as Associate Director of the NCI for a five-year period ending in 2005. He served as national president of the American Cancer Society in 1988-89 and he was the chief architect of the American Cancer Society's initiative on *Cancer in the Poor*. The American Cancer Society established the "Harold P. Freeman Award" in 1990 to recognize his work in this area. Dr. Freeman pioneered the patient navigation concept and model which addresses disparities in access to timely diagnosis and treatment, particularly among poor and uninsured people. Based on this model the Patient Navigator and Chronic Disease Prevention Act was signed into law by President Bush in 2005. Dr. Freeman was appointed by Presidents George Bush and Clinton to serve as Chairman of the United States President's Cancer Panel for an 11-year period. He is a Lasker Laureate, and received the Lasker Award for Public Service in 2000 for "enlightening scientists and the public about the relationship between race, poverty and cancer". In 2015, Dr. Freeman was named a "Giant of Cancer Care" by OncLive.

## Linda Burhansstipanov, MSPH, DrPH

Native American Cancer Research Corporation

Linda Burhansstipanov, (Cherokee Nation) has worked in public health since 1971. She taught at universities for 18 years (California State University Long Beach and UCLA). She developed and implemented the Native American Cancer Research Program at the National Cancer Institute from 1989-1993. She worked at the AMC Cancer Research Center in Denver for 5 years before founding Native American Cancer Research Corporation (non-profit). She also is the President of Native American Cancer Initiatives, Incorporated (minority woman's for-profit). She is the principal investigator and subcontractor for >3 NIH grants and PI for a NIMHD 2017 Phase I SBIR to develop a tablet app to evaluate Patient Navigation Services. She also is on the NIMHD Scientific Advisory Council. She serves on multiple federal advisory boards. She has over 125 peer-reviewed publications, of which most address Native American cancer, genetics, CBPR, evaluation, patient navigation, survivorship, public health and data issues.





## **Elizabeth Calhoun, PhD, MEd**

**University of Arizona**

Dr. Calhoun, PhD MEd, is currently the Associate Director of Population Sciences at the University of Arizona Cancer Center. In addition, she is the Executive Director for the Center for Population Science and Discovery.

She was the Director of the Center of Excellence in Eliminating Disparities funded by NIMHD and the Co-Director for the Center for Population Health and Health Disparities funded by NCI at the University of Illinois at Chicago. In addition, she was the principal investigator of an NCI-funded study to test the efficacy of a patient navigation program on improving compliance with cancer care in the largest network of federally qualified health centers in the country.

She is an experienced health services researcher with expertise in health disparities. She was a member of the Commission on Cancer standards committee that requires community assessment and patient navigation services for accreditation. She has lead the Illinois training for navigators and certified application counselors and evaluation for the implementation of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) in Illinois from 2013-2016. Mostly, she was an editor of a book entitled “Patient Navigation-Overcoming Barriers to Care,” which offers a practical guide to creating, implementing and evaluating successful programs.

## **Linda Fleisher, PhD, MPH**

**The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia Research Institute**

Dr. Fleisher PI, is a Senior Scientist and Associate Research Professor with a focus on health communications, patient engagement and use of technology to support patients and their families. She has appointments in the Research Institute at the Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia, Perelman School of Medicine, Department of Pediatrics, University of Pennsylvania and the Fox Chase Cancer Center. She has considerable experience in behavioral research, health education, development and evaluation of ehealth and mhealth interventions, health disparities and patient/community engagement. She was the Project Director and Principal Investigator for the NCI’s Cancer Information Service in the tri-state area for over 17 years, serving over ½ million callers with in-depth information and resources addressing the continuum of cancer prevention, risk, detection, treatment and survivorship. She also founded Fox Chase Cancer Center’s Patient Resource Education Center in 2000, which is one of the first multi-media patient education programs at a comprehensive cancer center, serving over 30,000 people. The REC includes a LiveHelp online program for patients and consumers to ask questions with trained health educators and listings of recommended websites that are evaluated using a scientifically developed tool. She led the development of numerous patient education and decision making interventions for cancer patients and survivors as well as a current study focused on informed decision making in clinical trials. She has developed technical guides on health literacy and patient navigation for professionals and brings these skills and knowledge to the development of patient education tools and resources. Her work has required building networks and partnerships with diverse audiences, including health care organizations, software developers, patients, and community leaders, including a tri-state health disparities network under the NCI’s Cancer Information Service and the current Cancer Health Disparities Network serving 19 states. She was Co-PI on the Pennsylvania Patient Navigation Demonstration Project and co-founder of the PA Navigator Network. She has served as member of the Academy of Oncology Nurse and Patient Navigator’s Steering Committee since 2010, and is the co-chair of the Technology and Innovation Committee. She joined



the faculty at Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia and is leveraging her extensive background in health communications, digital health and partnerships to lead a digital health initiative focused on translating knowledge of evaluation and evidence to health app developers, distributors and consumers to ensure that the explosion of mobile health tools are evidence-based and their impact on health improvement are validated.



## **Karen M. Freund, MD, MPH**

**Tufts Medical Center, Tufts University School of Medicine**

Dr. Karen Freund is an American Cancer Society Clinical Research Professorship. She is Vice Chair of Medicine at Tufts Medical Center and Professor of Medicine at Tufts University School of Medicine.

Trained as a primary care provider who continues to see her own patients, Dr. Freund has broad understanding of the clinical issues in cancer prevention, care and survivorship. Her research focuses on cancer prevention and control and addressing cancer health disparities. She served as one of the leaders of the NCI and ACS -funded national Patient Navigation Research Program, a multi-site trial investigating the ability of patient navigation to reduce cancer health disparities. This research team demonstrated the broad impact of patient navigation to improve timely and quality care to patients. The research specifically demonstrated that patient navigation can reduce health disparities, closing the gap in quality and timely care for minority patients, low income patients and other vulnerable populations.

## **Sharon Gentry, RN, MSN, ONN-CG, AOCN, CBCN, CBEC**

**Novant Health**

Ms. Gentry is part of an ongoing successful breast nurse navigator program at the Novant Health Derrick L. Davis Cancer Center. She is an interdisciplinary team member connecting 2 hospitals, a breast mammography clinic, a regional cancer center, a community surgical office and a variety of community resources in Winston-Salem, NC. She received her bachelor’s degree in nursing at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and her master’s degree in nursing education at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. She has been a member of the Academy of Oncology Nurse and Patient Navigators Leadership Council since its inception in 2009 and speaks at their annual and regional conferences on nurse navigation issues. In 2012-2017, she co-chaired the annual AONN+ conferences. She serves on the editorial board of The Oncology Nurse-APN/PA and CONQUER and is the breast editor for the Journal of Oncology Navigation & Survivorship (JONS). She has authored articles in JONS, Cancer, The Oncology Nurse-APN/PA, Journal of Psychosocial Oncology, and CONQUER as well as authored chapters in the books Delivering Patient-Centered Care Across the Continuum and Nurse Navigation Case Studies. She has been a member of the Oncology Nursing Society since 1983. She was a founding member of the Piedmont Triad Oncology Nurse Chapter in 1988 and has served in a leadership role since its inception. She was a participant on the inception of the Oncology Nursing Certified Breast Care Nurse examination and chaired the Oncology Nursing Certification Breast Care Committee 2010-2012. She holds certification as Oncology Nurse Navigation Generalist Certification, Certified Breast Care Nurse, Advanced Oncology Practice Nurse, and Clinical Breast Examination Certified. On nursing navigation commitment, she assisted in organizing the state navigation association—North Carolina Oncology Navigator Association as well as





participated on the Standardized Navigation Metrics Task Force, under the AONN+ Evidence into Practice Committee, and assisted in the development of the 35-national evidence-based navigation metrics that all navigation programs—no matter the model of navigation chosen—can utilize to measure success and sustainability of their program. Ms. Gentry travels nationally lecturing on the navigation concept. On the local level, she is a Northwest North Carolina Susan G. Komen volunteer, serves on the board of the local hospice and participates in the Derrick L. Davis Forsyth Regional Cancer Center Oncology Breast Advisory Committee.



## **Catharine Grimes, MBA**

### **Bristol Myers Squibb Foundation**

Catharine has over 22 years of experience in the pharmaceutical / healthcare industry. She has been with Bristol-Myers Squibb since 1997, where she has served in many different roles in the commercial operations across multiple therapeutic areas, before moving to her current role as Director at the Bristol-Myers Squibb Foundation in 2010. Catharine directs three of the Foundation’s 6 global grant programs: Veterans Mental Health and Well-being, which targets grant making to improve the mental health and community reintegration outcomes of Post 911 veterans; Bridging Cancer Care in Central and Eastern Europe – a capacity building program for nurses in five countries in Central and Eastern Europe; and Bridging Cancer Care in the US, the Foundation’s newest grant program which aims to improve the outcomes and quality of life for

lung cancer patients, survivors, their families and caregivers. Each of the grant programs under Catharine’s direction operates on the same strategic platform of mobilizing communities to achieve greater health outcomes. Catharine earned a MBA in Healthcare Administration from the Baruch College / Mt. Sinai School of Medicine Executive MBA program, and a Bachelor’s degree in Accountancy from the University of Mississippi. She is also a CPA. Catharine lives in New York City with and her husband, Dr. Bruce Polsky.

## **Leslie Hardy, MHS**

### **Merck Foundation**

Leslie M. Hardy is executive vice president of the Merck Foundation (Merck & Co., Inc., Kenilworth, NJ, USA). She leads the Foundation’s program portfolio in the areas of public health, health care quality and policy, both in the U.S. and internationally. Program investments focus on improving the quality and delivery of health care, strengthening health systems, increasing access to care and promoting health equity among vulnerable populations across the following selected disease areas: Alzheimer’s disease, cancer, diabetes, hepatitis C and HIV/AIDS. Ms. Hardy has responsibility for health program strategy and evaluation, partnership development, communications and operations; she also currently leads the Merck Foundation’s initiatives to address non-communicable diseases, including: the Alliance to Advance Patient-Centered Cancer Care and Bridging the Gap: Reducing Disparities in Diabetes Care.



Prior to joining Merck, Ms. Hardy served as Senior Policy Analyst and Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary of Planning and Evaluation (ASPE) in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, where she coordinated key policy and program initiatives in global infectious diseases, HIV/AIDS and women’s health. She also developed and directed a number

of public health policy and HIV/AIDS project during her tenure at the Institute of Medicine (now National Academy of Medicine) of the National Academy of Sciences.

Ms. Hardy is a graduate of Duke University, and holds a Master of Health Science in public health from The Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health.



## Allison Harvey, MPH, CHES

### George Washington Cancer Institute

Allison Harvey is the Senior Manager for Health Care Professional Education at the Institute for Patient-Centered Initiatives and Health Equity at The George Washington (GW) University Cancer Center. Ms. Harvey joined the Institute in 2015. She is responsible for overseeing the planning, development and implementation of the Institute's health care professional education programs. Previously, she oversaw the development and dissemination of national cancer patient and caregiver education programs at the Cancer Support Community. Ms. Harvey has presented findings from her work at conferences including the American Society for Clinical Oncology, American Public Health Association, International Cancer Education Conference and San Antonio Breast Cancer Symposium. Ms. Harvey has more than ten years of professional work experience, with a focus on human services, education, and health. In 2011, she received her Master's in Public Health from GW. She is also a Certified Health Education Specialist (CHES), and holds a Bachelor's degree from Emory University.

## Nina Miller, MSSW, OSW-C

### American College of Surgeons Commission on Cancer

Nina Miller is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin's School of Social Work. Nina's clinical practice as an oncology social worker spanned over 15 years in the acute and outpatient settings. She completed a fellowship in the Office of Cancer Communications at the National Cancer Institute and managed NCI's Cancer Information Service in their regional field office at the University of Wisconsin's Comprehensive Cancer Center. During her years at the American Cancer Society, Nina was Director of Patient Services for the Midwest Division and served on several national work groups. Nina is currently the American College of Surgeon's Commission on Cancer Manager, Cancer Initiatives.





## Ed Partridge, MD

### University of Alabama at Birmingham

Edward E. Partridge, MD, is Director Emeritus and Distinguished Professor at the University of Alabama at Birmingham Comprehensive Cancer Center. He served as Director of the UAB Comprehensive Cancer Center and holder of the Evalina B. Spencer Chair in Oncology from 2007 to 2017. He was Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology from 1996 to 2017 and former Director of the Division of Gynecologic Oncology. His clinical interests are cancer control and prevention; cervical cancer; community based participatory research; gynecologic oncology; and minority health disparities.

He was principal investigator of the Deep South Network for Cancer Control (NCI) which utilizes Community Health Advisors to improve the cancer health status of the African-American population in the rural South. He was PI of the Morehouse School of Medicine/Tuskegee University/UAB Cancer Center Partnership to enhance the research capability of the minority-serving institutions and the ability of the Cancer Center to conduct cancer disparity research. He also served as PI of the UAB component of the Cervical Cancer SPORE at Johns Hopkins. Dr. Partridge currently serves as Medical Director of the UAB Health System Cancer Community Network that utilizes lay navigators across the continuum of cancer care, a part of Cancer Care Connect, a CMS funded project. He also served as the co-director of the UAB Minority Health & Health Disparities Research Center from 2002 to 2017.

In 2010-2011 Dr. Partridge served as President of the National Board of the American Cancer Society. He was previously Chairman of the Commission on Cancer for the American College of Surgeons. He is on the Board of Directors of the Mid-South Division of the American Cancer Society.

Dr. Partridge has received numerous awards and honors throughout his career, including the UAB Distinguished Alumni Award, UAB President's Excellence in Teaching Award from the School of Medicine, the Distinguished Faculty Award from the Comprehensive Cancer Center and the Academic Health Center and UAB's highest honor – the Distinguished Faculty Lecturer Award. Outside of UAB, he has been honored with the St. George's Medal for Contributions to Cancer Control from the American Cancer Society, the Birmingham Business Journal's 2009 Health Care Heroes physician provider award, and recently was honored with the American Cancer Society's prestigious 2013 National Humanitarian Award.

## Steven R. Patierno, Ph.D.

### Duke Cancer Institute

Joining Duke in 2012, Dr. Patierno serves as Deputy Director of the Duke Cancer Institute, Professor of Medicine, Professor of Pharmacology and Cancer Biology, and Professor of Community and Family Medicine, and as Director of Cancer Control, Healthcare Delivery and Population Sciences, as well as Cancer Supportive Care and Survivorship Services. Prior to joining Duke, Dr. Patierno served as Executive Director of The George Washington University Cancer Center, the Vivian Gill Distinguished Professor of Oncology and Professor of Pharmacology and Physiology, Genetics and Urology in the GWU School of Medicine and Health Sciences. His prior training includes a B.S. in Pharmacy from the University of Connecticut, a PhD in molecular pharmacology from the Graduate School of Biomedical Science, University of Texas Health Science Center-MD Anderson Cancer



Institute in Houston Texas, and an NIH-funded postdoctoral fellowship at the University of Southern California (USC) Norris Comprehensive Cancer Center in molecular oncology and carcinogenesis.

Dr. Patierno's basic science and translational research laboratory has been funded continuously by the NIH, the NCI and Department of Defense for nearly 25 years and he has published more than 130 peer-reviewed cancer research papers on molecular carcinogenesis, metastasis, cancer pharmacology and most recently on the genomics, epigenomics, transcriptomics and biology of cancer disparities. In addition, he has led a number of large, multi-institutional, patient-centered, community-based and cancer healthcare delivery grants from the NCI, CDC, numerous foundations, industry, and the DC Cancer Consortium addressing cancer disparities, patient navigation, prevention, control, education, outreach, and survivorship. This includes serving as PI to the DC arm of the NCI-funded, multi-institutional Patient Navigation Research Program, and DC City-wide Patient Navigation Network.

The Duke Cancer Institute is a top-ranked NCI-designated Comprehensive Cancer Center dedicated to providing leading-edge compassionate care from diagnosis to treatment to survivorship, advancing multi- and trans-disciplinary cancer research across the full cancer research continuum, and engaging in authentic prevention and community health programming. DCI is one of the original eight NCI-designated comprehensive cancer centers, with more than 75,000 patient visits and 7500 new cancer diagnoses annually, with nearly 1000 active clinical trials. DCI includes more than 350 investigators with more than \$250 million in annual cancer research funding.



## Angie Patterson

### Georgia Center for Oncology Research and Education

Angie Patterson is Vice President of the Georgia Center for Oncology Research and Education, a public-private partnership designed to bring higher quality, better organized and more cost-effective cancer care to patients and survivors. She is a devoted survivor advocate, a published author on cancer survivorship and an active presenter on survivorship. Ms. Patterson is also co-founder of Cancer Patient Navigators of Georgia, one of the first statewide organizations formed to connect people who guide individuals and their families throughout the cancer care continuum. In directing this program within Georgia CORE and managing several other of its initiatives, Ms. Patterson is focused on improving quality of life and outcomes for Georgia's cancer survivors through the implementation of statewide patient navigation and survivorship programs.

As a 16-year cancer survivor, Ms. Patterson left her corporate career at BellSouth twelve years ago to focus on improving the quality of life and outcomes for Georgia's cancer survivors. She serves as the chair of Georgia's Cancer Control Consortium (GC3) and chair of the statewide Survivorship Working Group. Ms. Patterson directed the implementation of Georgia's Cancer Survivorship Connection ([www.GeorgiaCancerInfo.org/Survivorship](http://www.GeorgiaCancerInfo.org/Survivorship)), an interactive web portal designed to meet the needs of Georgia's 410,740 cancer survivors. On November 3, 2016, Ms. Patterson hosted "Cancer Survivorship: Up Close & Personal", a one-day statewide conference exploring the unmet needs and unseen challenges of Georgia's Cancer Survivors.

Ms. Patterson received her bachelor's degree in computer science from the University of Georgia and currently serves on the University of Georgia Computer Science Advisory Board.

## **Elizabeth Rohan, PhD, MSW, LCSW**

**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**

Dr. Elizabeth Rohan is a health scientist in the Division of Cancer Prevention and Control (DCPC) at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). She graduated summa cum laude from Boston College in 1989 with a degree of sociology and earned her master of social work in Boston College's accelerated program a year later. She then began a career in clinical oncology social work, counseling cancer patients and their families, first at the Massachusetts General Hospital (1990 to 1995) and later (1995 to 2002) at the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, both designated Centers for Excellence in Oncology by the National Cancer Institute. She found her work with cancer patients extraordinarily rewarding and developed a research interest in the multidisciplinary oncology health care team.



In addition to her clinical work, Dr. Rohan has experience teaching social work courses at Boston University and sociology courses at Boston College (1999 to 2002) and was ranked third among Boston College faculty by online student evaluations one semester. Dr. Rohan moved to the Atlanta area in 2003 and completed a joint doctorate of sociology and social work from Boston University in 2005. Soon thereafter, she worked at a small private practice in Atlanta, providing supervision for master's level social workers seeking licensure. In 2009, Dr. Rohan published a book, *Laboring at the Edge: Effects of Repeated Exposure to Death and Dying on Oncology Doctors, Nurses, and Social Workers*, a result of her dissertation work on the multidisciplinary oncology health care team.

Since August 2009, Dr. Rohan has been translating her clinical knowledge into public health practice in DCPC as a health scientist on the Scientific Support and Clinical Translation Team in the Comprehensive Cancer Control Branch. She is the lead of the Division's Community Health Worker/Patient Navigation Workgroup and is an active member of CDC's Community Health Worker Workgroup. Dr. Rohan is involved in many cancer-related health services research and evaluation projects, with a particular focus on patient navigation/community health workers and cancer survivorship. As well, Dr. Rohan is an adjunct instructor of Sociology at Oglethorpe University.



## **Katherine Sharpe, MTS**

**American Cancer Society**

Katherine Sharpe is the Senior Vice President of Patient and Caregiver Support and has been with the Society since 1997. As the SVP for Patient and Caregiver Support, Katherine provides strategic direction for the Society's patient and caregiver support, as well as post treatment survivorship initiatives (interventions, campaigns, programs, services and products); overseeing strategic, integrated, comprehensive planning for and execution of patient/caregiver/post treatment survivorship initiatives at all levels of the organization; and ensuring initiatives are evidenced-based, regularly evaluated for impact and quality improvement, and consistent with the patient support/survivorship goals and objectives

set by the National Board of Directors.

## **Lillie Shockney, RN, BS, MAS, ONN-CG**

Academy of Oncology Nurse & Patient Navigators

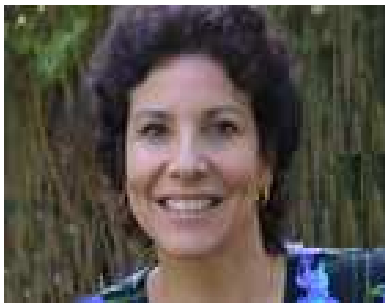
Lillie D. Shockney has been the administrative director of the Johns Hopkins Breast Center since 1997 and serves as the director of the Johns Hopkins Cancer Survivorship programs in November 2011. A two-time breast cancer survivor, Lillie has worked tirelessly to improve the care of breast cancer patients around the world. She has worked at Johns Hopkins since 1983. She is a registered nurse who holds a BS in Healthcare Administration from St Joseph's College and a Masters in Administrative Science from the Johns Hopkins University. Lillie is a published author and nationally recognized public speaker on the subject of cancer with a focus on cancer survivorship as well as metastatic breast cancer. She has written 14 books and more than 250 articles on cancer care. Lillie is also editor-in-chief of Journal of Oncology Navigation and Survivorship. She is the founder and Director of the Academy of Oncology Nurse & Patient Navigators (AONN+). She is the consultant for breast cancer for national ABC News and Good Morning America, and is also consulted regularly by the Today Show and CNN. Lillie serves on 34 medical advisory boards currently.



In 2008, The President of The Johns Hopkins University and the Johns Hopkins Board of Trustees appointed her to a faculty chair as a University Distinguished Service Assistant Professor of Breast Cancer. This is the first time in the history of the institution that a hospital nurse has been appointed to a distinguished service designation. She was promoted to a Distinguished Service Associate Professor of Breast Cancer in 2009. In 2016, she was promoted to full professor and is the only nurse at Johns Hopkins to have a primary appointment in the School of Medicine and the only nurse to have reached the highest academic (physician) faculty ranking and appointed chair as a University Distinguished Service Professor of Breast Cancer.

## **Patti Valverde, PhD, MPH**

Colorado School of Public Health



Patricia Valverde PhD, MPH is a senior instructor in the Department of Community and Behavioral Health at the Colorado School of Public Health. She directs the Patient Navigator Training Collaborative, a national training program dedicated to improving the knowledge and skills of the patient navigator workforce. Her research concentration is in the use of patient navigators and community health workers in cancer prevention and control, particularly in tobacco cessation. She is currently a Health Services Research Fellow at the Denver-Seattle Center of Innovation (COIN) of the Department of Veteran Affairs, Eastern Colorado Health Care System.

## Task Group Rosters

### Evidence Based Promising Practices

#### Chairs:

Elizabeth Calhoun, PhD, MEd, University of Arizona

Tricia Strusowski, MS, RN, Oncology Solutions

#### Members:

Alan Balch, PhD, Patient Advocate Foundation

Beth Burnett, Pfizer

Crystal Dugger, MBA, RN, Sarah Cannon

Linda Fleisher, PhD MPH, The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia Research Institute

Joanne Gersten, RN, MS, New Hampshire Colorectal Cancer Screening Program

Catharine Grimes, MBA, Bristol Myers Squibb Foundation

Leslie Hardy, MHS, Merck Foundation

Danelle Johnston, RN, MSN, BSN, ONN-CG, OCN, CBCN, The Lynx Group

Melissa Kanemoto, Propper Daley

Dax Kurbegov, MD, Sarah Cannon

Amy Marbaugh, RN, BSN, MS, Association of Community Cancer Centers

Cheryl Modica, National Association of Community Health Centers

Aditi Narayan, MSSW, LIVESTRONG

Electra Paskett, PhD, Ohio State University

Sanja Percac-Lima, MD, PhD, Massachusetts General Hospital

Jeanne Regnante, National Minority Quality Forum

Lilly Shockney, RN, BS, MAS, ONN-CG, Academy of Oncology Nurse & Patient Navigators

Alek Shybut, MPH, Health Resources and Service Administration

Kristen Wells, PhD, MPH, San Diego State University

Dawn Wiatrek, PhD, American Cancer Society

## Policy

### Chairs:

Karen Freund, MD, MPH, Tufts Medical Center  
Katie Bathje, MA, LPCC, Kentucky Cancer Consortium  
Elizabeth Rohan, PhD, MSW, LCSW, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

### Members:

Erin Balogh, MPH, National Academies of Science  
Elizabeth Franklin, LGSW, ACSW, Cancer Support Community  
Harold Freeman, MD, Harold P. Freeman Patient Navigation Institute  
Katie Garfield, JD, Harvard Law School  
Trish Goldsmith, CancerCare  
Jennifer Greenwald, MPH, American Cancer Society  
Nina Miller, MSSW, OSW-C, American College of Surgeons Commission on Cancer  
Laura Mortimer, MSSW, Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation  
Ed Partridge, MD, University of Alabama at Birmingham  
Carl Rush, MRP, University of Texas - Houston, Institute for Health Policy  
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