



## **Public health approaches to address the opioid epidemic: Cross-sector collaboration in maternal and child health**

### **Speaker Bios**

#### **Jay Butler, MD**

#### **Director of Public Health, Alaska Department of Health and Social Services**

Jay Butler was appointed chief medical officer for the Alaska Department of Health and Social Services and director of the Division of Public Health by Governor Bill Walker in December 2014. From 2010 to 2014, Butler served as senior director for community health services at the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium in Anchorage, where he was also a clinical infectious diseases consultant and medical director for infection control and employee health. His earlier work includes serving as chief medical officer of the Alaska Department of Health Social Services from 2007 to 2009, Alaska state epidemiologist, 2005-07, director of CDC's Arctic Investigations Program, 1998-2005, and medical epidemiologist in CDC's National Center for Infectious Diseases in Atlanta, 1991-98.

He is a graduate of the University of North Carolina Medical School, has completed clinical training at Vanderbilt and Emory universities, and maintains clinical board certifications in infectious diseases, internal medical, and pediatrics. He has authored or co-authored over 100 scientific papers and medical textbook chapters on infectious diseases and emergency preparedness, and he is an affiliate professor of medicine at the University of Alaska Anchorage. In 2010, he received ASTHO's National Excellence in Public Health Award.

#### **Dina Lieser, MD, FAAP**

#### **Senior Advisor, Health Resources and Services Administration, Maternal and Child Health Bureau's Division of Home Visiting and Early Childhood Systems**

Dina Lieser is Senior Advisor at HRSA's Maternal and Child Health Bureau's Division of Home Visiting and Early Childhood Systems. Prior to joining HRSA in January 2017, She served as Chair of the American Academy of Pediatrics' Council on Early Childhood, Practiced Pediatrics and Served as Director of Ambulatory and Community Pediatrics at Nassau University Medical Center and was Co-Director of Docs For Tots, a non-profit

focused on promoting practices, policies, and investments that will enable young children to thrive. She chaired NYS's Early Childhood Advisory Council's Promoting Health Development Workgroup for many years and has focused much of her career on the intersect of health and early learning and building bridges between the health and broader early childhood communities, and was integrally involved in pediatric graduate medical education.

**Patricia M. Tilley, MS Ed**

**Chief, Bureau of Population Health & Community Services, Division of Public Health Services,  
New Hampshire Department of Health & Human Services**

Patricia Tilley has spent greater than 20 years in support of children and their families as a classroom teacher, family resource center director, Maternal and Child Health Title V Director and public health professional. She is currently Chief of Population Health and Community Services within the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services. Her role is to foster systemic approaches to promote health and wellbeing, prevent chronic conditions through population-level strategies and interventions and to reduce health inequities. Ms. Tilley earned a BA in Developmental Psychology from Hampshire College, Amherst, MA and a MEd from the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA. She lives in New London, NH with her husband and 2 daughters and 2 overweight dachshunds.

**Christina Mullins, MA**

**Director, Office of Maternal, Child and Family Health, West Virginia**

Christina Mullins graduated from Marshall University with a Master of Arts in Psychology. Christina has over 17 years of public health experience in the West Virginia Bureau for Public Health. She is currently the director of the Office of Maternal, Child and Family Health. Prior to accepting this position in 2013, she served as the Director of the Division of Infant, Child and Adolescent Health, the Director of the West Virginia Breast and Cervical Cancer Screening Program, and as the Associate Director for the Division of Tobacco Prevention. She also worked as a supervised psychologist for a private mental health agency from 1997-2000. She is an active member of the Perinatal Partnership, the Developmental Disabilities Council and the Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing.