



ASSOCIATION OF MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH PROGRAMS

## An Open Forum: Drawing on our Strengths to respond to COVID-19

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Thursday, April 23, 2020 | 3:00-4:00pm EST

<b>Objectives</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase knowledge of the strengths and challenges impacted individuals are currently facing in the COVID-19 pandemic.</li> <li>• Explore how Title V MCH programs can work together with impacted leaders to take steps towards creating meaningful relationships and change across systems.</li> </ul>
<b>Welcome &amp; Overview of Open Forum</b> 3:00—3:05pm	<b>Paige Bussanich, MS</b> Senior Program Manager, Child & Youth with Special Health Care Needs, AMCHP
<b>Open Forum</b> 3:05—3:55pm	<b>3:05-3:15pm:</b> <i>Sharing real-life experiences dealing with the challenges of COVID-19</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What is this experience [COVID-19 pandemic] like for you?</li> <li>• What behaviors or responses have you observed, in reaction to COVID-19?</li> </ul>
	<b>3:15-3:25pm:</b> <i>Drawing connections to personal experiences</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What has been helpful for you? (in relation to your role)</li> <li>• What is the most challenging part of this pandemic for you?</li> </ul>
	<b>3:25-3:40pm:</b> <i>Connect themes, identify other challenges, make suggestions, move towards solutions.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What kind of changes do we need to make?</li> <li>• What are some examples of techniques or strategies that worked/could work for you in managing life during this pandemic?</li> <li>• What do you wish you had during this time?</li> </ul>
	<b>3:40-3:55pm:</b> <i>Explore options and solutions, opportunities for alignment around measures of success, factors that will assist in moving forward.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What does it mean to have experienced this?</li> <li>• What are we missing here?</li> <li>• How do we create/foster more meaningful relationships across/between systems and individuals/families/parents/caregivers?               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What would a functioning relationship look like?</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Highlights of Conversation/Main Take-Aways</b> 3:55—3:59pm	AMCHP & Facilitators
<b>Evaluation &amp; Adjourn</b> 4:00pm	<b>Paige Bussanich AMCHP</b>

*(see other side for Speaker headshots and short biographies)*

## The Expert Facilitators

**Emma Fox** (she/hers) earned her MPH with a dual concentration in Community Health Sciences and Maternal & Child Health (MCH) from the University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC) Center of Excellence in Maternal & Child Health. She currently works as a direct support professional for her younger sibling, Jacob, as he transitions into the adult system of care. Emma has rich experiences working with youth and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities, as well as pregnant and parenting people in the carceral system. She is a former UIC LEND Fellow and has received training in children and youth with special health care needs (CYSHCN) delivery systems, interdisciplinary leadership development, core knowledge of neurodevelopmental disabilities, quality improvement, research and evaluation practices, family-centered care, and cultural-humility. Her MPH capstone focused on improving the healthcare response to human trafficking of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Emma's firsthand experience navigating systems of care as both a sibling-caregiver and a disabled person herself, as well as her formal training in MCH, make her a valuable systems thinker. In her spare time, she likes to drink too much coffee with her brother, practice hot yoga, and snuggle her golden retriever, Otis.



**Jeannine Herrick** is an independent leadership coach and trainer with a public health background. She is an adjunct instructor with at UNC's Gillings School of Global Public Health - Public Health Leadership Department and a coach for the National Program Office serving the Kresge Foundation sponsored *Emerging Leaders in Public Health* Initiative. She has coached over 40 leaders in local health departments who are creating new roles for their agencies to better meet adaptive challenges in their communities. Jeannine is also on staff with the National Maternal Child Health Workforce Development Center at UNC Gillings.

Jeannine has a Bachelor of Arts from William Smith College in psychology, and an MPH degree from the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill in Maternal and Child Health. Jeannine has lived in North Carolina for over 20 years and resides in Cary, NC with her husband, three sons and lab rescue dog. Jeannine is known to frequently foster rescue puppies and dogs through Peak Lab Recue.

**Dewey Sampson** is a native Washingtonian. He graduated from Gonzaga College High School, and then went on to Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University where he received a degree in Business Administration. Most recently, he served as the Director of Programs and Director of Alumni Affairs at an independent school focused on under-served and low income boys in Washington, D.C. Dewey is a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc., the 100 Black Men of Washington D.C, and has sat on the board of the Far Southeast Family Strengthening Collaborative. Recognizing a large gap in community resources for fathers and male caregivers, Dewey created *Fathers of Superheroes* – a support group for fathers and caregivers of children with developmental and sensory differences. Dewey is the father of an awesome five-year-old, Dewey Jr., who is on the autism spectrum.

