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SECTOR EVOLUTION: WHAT AGENCIES NEED & THE UNIQUE ROLE FUNDERS CAN PLAY

SPEAKER BIOS

- **Yolette Bonnet** currently serves as the Chief Executive Officer of FoundCare, Inc. With more than 20 years of experience leading healthcare teams, Ms. Bonnet is a skilled administrator and a passionate advocate for healthcare services. In 2001, she joined the Comprehensive AIDS Program of Palm Beach County, Inc. and working in collaboration with her board and the community through her vision and steadfast determination, the FoundCare Health Center opened and began offering services in January 2009. FoundCare was the first in the State of Florida to achieve Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) look-alike status in October 2010, and was designated FQHC status in October 2013. A dynamic healthcare facility, FoundCare offers a complete array of primary care specialties and programs serving diverse community needs. Through efforts in health and wellness initiatives, including prevention, screening and community outreach activities, FoundCare served over 25,000 individuals in Palm Beach County in 2013. Ms. Bonnet's leadership in administration at the Executive Management level helps to further the FQHC mission in Palm Beach County and nationally. She earned a bachelor's degree from the City University of New York (York College) and earned a Master of Business Administration (MBA) in General Management from Dowling College in Long Island, New York. She served as Director for the Brownsville Community Development Program/Brownsville Multi Services Family Health Center in Brooklyn. She worked seven years with the New York City Health and Hospitals Corporation, East New York Diagnostic and Treatment Center. Additionally, she served as a Public Health Advisor in the STD Bureau at the New York City Department of Health and worked seven years for Metropolitan Life Insurance Company in New York City. Ms. Bonnet is an active member of the Executive Women of the Palm Beaches, the Palm Beach Medical Society Service Board and sits on several healthcare alliance "think-tanks" and committees throughout Palm Beach County. She serves on the advisory board for the UCLA Anderson School of Management/Johnson and Johnson Health Care Executive Program.
- **Liz Brosnan** has 15 years of nonprofit management experience and wide knowledge of the HIV healthcare and social services sector, specializing in

providing gender-responsive services for women. She is a change agent and builder of programs, diverse service teams, and strategic alliances dedicated to promoting health equity and social justice. Since 2002 she has been the Executive Director of Christie's Place, an organization providing education, support, and advocacy to women and families impacted by HIV. She developed this once small grassroots organization into a nationally recognized agency. She is the Chair of the National Women & AIDS Collective and has received accolades such as the American Red Cross Tiffany Award; County of San Diego Outstanding Service in HIV Planning, Advocacy and Policy Development Award; and The San Diego Human Dignity Foundation Founder's Award. She holds B.A.s in Political Science, Women's Studies & an International Certificate in Women, World Politics and Global Leadership from Rutgers University. In 2011 she completed the UCLA/Johnson & Johnson Health Care Executive Program.

- **Robert Cordero** serves as President and Chief Program Officer of BOOM!Health, a recently merged and rebranded Bronx-based \$12 million nonprofit agency comprised of CitiWide Harm Reduction and Bronx AIDS Services. BOOM!Health delivers a full range of prevention, outreach, syringe access, harm reduction, health care, pharmacy behavioral health, housing placement, legal, advocacy and wellness services to over 8,000 individuals in the hardest to reach communities in the Bronx, New York. From June 2009 through August 2013, Robert served as Executive Director of CitiWide Harm Reduction in the South Bronx where he successfully guided CitiWide Harm Reduction to fiscal and programmatic stability, resulting in a 3-year strategic plan (2011-2013); expansion to a 7-day-a-week syringe exchange drop-in center; an innovative partnership with HELP/PSI to create a co-located health and wellness center; development of a unique onsite community pharmacy partnership with Evers Pharmacy; renovation of a new 3rd floor 4,000 square foot drop-in and training space for enhanced services; and a 30% increase in CitiWide's operating budget from fiscal year 2010 to 2013. In 2013, Robert was the recipient of the Joan Tisch Community Health Prize from the Roosevelt House Public Policy Institute at Hunter College for his groundbreaking work to improve the lives of drug users who are homeless and unstably housed in the South Bronx. Robert serves as the elected Community Co-chair HIV Health and Human Services Planning Council of New York, and on the board of Regional Addiction Prevention in Washington, DC. In 2011 he completed the UCLA/Johnson & Johnson Health Care Executive Program. Robert holds a master's degree in Social Service Administration from the University of Chicago (1997), and was recognized as an alumnus of distinction in 2008.
- **Erin Eriksson** joined the M·A·C AIDS Fund last year as Executive Director, Americas Programs. In this role, she guides the strategy and manages grants in Latin America and the Caribbean, helping support the growth of VIVA GLAM sales in international markets by bringing HIV/AIDS expertise to the corporate philanthropy team. She also oversees grantmaking in the US to provide

food/nutrition and housing for people living with HIV/AIDS, as well as to link and retain them in medical care. Prior to joining the M·A·C AIDS Fund, Erin managed the global HIV/AIDS portfolio on the Corporate Contributions team at Johnson & Johnson, where she focused on high-engagement grantmaking, monitoring and evaluation, communications and social media. Erin has spent time living and working in Africa on several HIV/AIDS projects, including enhancing a leadership and management program for HIV/AIDS service providers, writing MBA case studies and managing a pilot project with the World Bank in Kenya and Ethiopia. Erin received her Master's in Business Administration and Master's in Public Policy from UCLA's Anderson School of Management and School of Public Affairs. Prior to graduate school, she worked at National Geographic in the International Editions Division, led fundraising efforts and special events for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, and managed all fundraising and programmatic efforts at the Vision of Children Foundation. Erin graduated magna cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa from UCLA, with degrees and honors in both Political Science and Geography/Environmental Studies.

- As the founder and president of 360° Strategy Group, **Kandy Ferree** leads all aspects of the firm's work and strategically identifies other experts to round out the implementation team to meet the unique goals of each client engagement. After two decades of executive leadership in the philanthropic and non-profit sectors, Kandy decided that it was time to launch her own business as a means of creating the work-life balance that so many folks talk about, but so few have the courage to embrace. Prior to founding the firm, Kandy served 12 years as the President and CEO of the National AIDS Fund/AIDS United. Kandy's current work focuses in three key areas: 1) Non-profit program strategy, strategic restructuring and resource development; 2) Philanthropic strategy – helping corporations and foundations align their business, philanthropic and community impact strategies; and 3) Executive Leadership Development with a particular interest in developing women and communities of color. Kandy's recent work includes facilitating the merger to create BOOM!Health; advising a national sector transformation initiative in the HIV/AIDS sector; and serving as a key member of Johnson & Johnson's corporate contributions team addressing Chronic Conditions and Domestic HIV/AIDS.
- **Anu Gupta** is a Director in the Corporate Contributions division of Johnson & Johnson, where she is responsible for the preventing diseases in vulnerable populations portfolio. Dr. Gupta, a primary care physician, sets strategic direction and oversees grantmaking initiatives worldwide. Under her leadership, Johnson & Johnson is championing a number of transformative approaches to eliminate pediatric AIDS by 2015. Dr. Gupta is part of team at Johnson & Johnson whose mission is to make life-changing long-term differences in human health by addressing the world's major health related issues. Over the last decade, she has led diverse portfolios within the Corporate Contribution division. Dr. Gupta

believes passionately that philanthropy should embrace innovation, finding and testing out-of-the-box ideas that bring creative solutions to long-standing problems. In 2010, Dr. Gupta was identified as an emerging leader in health philanthropy by Grantmakers in Health and was an inaugural fellow at the Terrance Kennan Institute. She serves on the board of Funders Concerned About AIDS. Dr. Gupta received her BA in English & American Literature from Brown University and her MD from Yale University School of Medicine, where she was also a Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholar. She lives in New Jersey with her husband and their two children.

- **Len McNally** is a Program Director at The New York Community Trust where he manages the foundation's Health and People With Special Needs grantmaking program, including the areas of health policy, biomedical research, aging, environmental health, and AIDS. Prior to joining The Trust in 1989, Mr. McNally spent over ten years planning community-based programs for chronically ill elders and people with AIDS, working to develop a comprehensive capitation-financed program for highly disabled elders and the country's first day treatment program for people with AIDS. Following the terrorists attack on New York, Mr. McNally provided consultation to the September 11th Fund in the design and funding of environmental health and health insurance programs for victims of the attacks. Before embarking on a career in public health, he taught biology. He has Bachelor and Masters degrees in Biology from Northeastern University and a Masters in Public Health from Columbia University. He is a fellow of the New York Academy of Medicine; a board member of Grantmakers in Health; and serves on the advisory committees to the Jonas Center for Nursing Excellence, and the Hunter College School of Nursing, and the Aging Friendly New York City Commission. He formerly served on the New York City HIV Planning Council, and as a Board member of God's Love We Deliver and Funders Concerned About AIDS.
- **Michael Murphree (Mike)** is currently the CEO of Medical AIDS Outreach of Alabama. A lifelong resident of Alabama, Mike is a graduate of Auburn University at Montgomery and the University of Alabama. He received his Master of Social Worker degree in 1989, and is licensed at the LCSW level. Mike currently serves as the Chief Executive Officer for Medical AIDS Outreach of Alabama based in Montgomery. Prior to his hire at MAO of Alabama, he served as Interim Executive Director of the Southern AIDS Coalition. The great majority of his life has been spent living and serving in rural areas of Alabama. Having grown up in that environment helped instill an extra sensitivity to the specific needs and cultural differences that rural communities present. This background was particularly helpful in the expansion of HIV specific medical care to rural communities in Southeast and West Alabama during his service at Montgomery AIDS Outreach in Montgomery, Alabama. A frequently requested presenter on Social Work, Case Management, Mental Health and HIV issues at national, state

and local conferences and programs, his work and life experiences have been invaluable in learning ways to reach people both professionally and personally.

- **J. Channing Wickham** is Executive Director of the Washington AIDS Partnership. Since 1994, Channing Wickham has managed all aspects of the Washington AIDS Partnership including fundraising, grantmaking, grants management, program planning, and technical assistance. Channing has extensive experience in nonprofit management and HIV/AIDS, including as a trainer/consultant to both nonprofit agencies and corporations in the Washington, D.C. metropolitan region. Channing has served on the Mayor's AIDS Advisory Committee, has chaired the District's HIV Prevention Planning Group, has served as both Treasurer and Vice Chair of the National AIDS Fund, and founded and facilitates the Syringe Access Working Group. Channing completed his undergraduate work at Carleton College, and his graduate work at Johns Hopkins University. Channing currently serves on the Board of Directors for Funders Concerned About AIDS.