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Professional Title

Quality Improvement Specialist

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Resume or Biographical Sketch:

Gabi Baraghoshi RN, MPH is a Quality Improvement Specialist at the Utah Pediatric Partnership to Improve Healthcare Quality (UPIQ). She brings a vast variety of experiences to the UPIQ team. Gabi has worked at the University of Utah for the past 25 years. Her focus has always been to deliver the best care to her patients. She started out as a RN working in the Surgical Intensive Care (SICU) where she became very involved in quality improvement projects. Gabi worked very closely with the SICU staff and together they were able to improve several patient outcomes. She implemented and ran Project IMPACT, a Cerner developed ICU improvement module. Gabi decided to earn a Masters in Public Health after coming across the statement "The Community Is Our Patient" in the Division of Public Health office at the University of Utah. While in the MPH program, she began working with the community, specifically with the refugee community in Salt Lake City. After earning her MPH, she worked as a Care Manager at the Redwood Health Center, a University Community Clinic until joining UPIQ. Her clinical knowledge and her past experience with quality improvement projects serve her well in her current position.

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Emmalee earned her Bachelor's degree from the University of Utah in Health Promotion and Education, with an emphasis in Community Health. She is also a Certified Health Education Specialist (CHES ®). She began her career as a health educator at Salt Lake County Health Department, with the Healthy Lifestyles Incentive Program. There she developed, implemented, and evaluated worksite wellness programs; created and taught educational curriculum; and conducted biometric health screenings and one-on-one health coaching. She now works as a health educator for Salt Lake County Health Department with the Healthy Living Program. Her focus is on creating healthy environments through active transportation promotion and implementation; Safe Routes to Schools programs; and implementing nutrition and physical activity policies in schools, worksites, and childcare centers.

Heather Bush , B.S.

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Professional Title

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Resume or Biographical Sketch:

Heather Bush has been working at the Utah Department of Health since 2000 and in HIV prevention since 1996. She has a degree in Psychology and Drug and Alcohol Counseling and is a disease prevention specialist. She has provided prevention education and training on HIV, Hepatitis, STDs and Harm Reduction to thousands of people all over the U.S and also in Africa. She has recently taken the role of Syringe Exchange Program Coordinator and was trained as a facilitator of the Harm Reduction Navigator Curriculum by the Harm Reduction Coalition in March 2017.

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Jeremy Christensen is an LCSW, working as an Assistant Director at the Utah Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health. Jeremy spent 5 years as the CEO of Valley Services, a social enterprise employing individuals with mental illness, 10 years at Valley Mental Health as a therapist, and 4 years as Executive Director of Alliance House, a recovery program. Mr. Christensen is a faculty member with the University of Phoenix teaching Psychology and Sociology, and also serves as field faculty working with interns for the University of Utah School of Social Work.

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Karen Dolan is the CEO of Four Corners Community Behavioral Health. Ms. Dolan has an MSW from the University of Utah. In 2017, Karen was recognized with the prestigious Leon PoVey Lifetime Achievement Award recognizing her significant contributions to the field of substance abuse prevention and treatment.

Patricia Henrie-Barrus, Ph.D, CMHC

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Patricia Henrie-Barrus is in private practice specializing in addictions, pain management, family, individual and marital counseling. Ms. Henrie-Barrus received her Ph.D. from the University of Utah where she is now an Asst. Professor teaching courses in Positive Psychology. She is also the President and founder of InteraSolutions a psychological assessment company. The company specializes in assessments used in the medical field including the OARS, Opioid Abuse and Risk Screener, IDAS, Intera Depression and Anxiety Scale and soon to come a Hypogonadism assessment.

Kathryn Hiolski , MPH

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Resume or Biographical Sketch:

Kathryn earned her Bachelor's degree in Psychology from the University of Iowa, and her Master of Public Health degree in Community Health Promotion from the University of Minnesota. Before moving to Utah, she worked as a research fellow in Minneapolis where she focused on social justice and health equity in the adolescent population. Kathryn currently works as a Health Educator for the Salt Lake County Health Department with the Healthy Living Program, primarily working on environmental efforts to increase physical activity. She has experience improving the health and well-being of communities through wayfinding signage and other walkability projects, implementation of worksite physical activity policies, and development of city active transportation plans.

Jennifer Hogge , LMFT

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Resume or Biographical Sketch:

Jennifer Hogge is a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT). She works tirelessly to fight addiction and keep kids' drug and alcohol free. She is currently the Prevention Coordinator at Weber Human Services providing substance use prevention services to the residents of Weber and Morgan County. Working with individuals, children, and families over the last 14 years has brought her much joy. However, it was her years working with the Weber County Juvenile Drug Court that inspired her 6 years ago to leap into prevention. Preventing individuals, children and families from experiencing the devastating disease of addiction is her passion. She is certified in multiple evidence based programs and strategies for substance use treatment and prevention. She sits on multiple state and county level prevention committees. She was awarded the 2016 Governor's Award from the Utah Substance Use and Mental Health Advisory Council for her leadership and exceptional public service.

Sam Marsden , MPA, REHS

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Resume or Biographical Sketch:

Sam has worked in public health for the last fifteen years. He started his career with UDOH in 2003 where he worked in environmental epidemiology, communicable disease epidemiology and Tuberculosis Control. Since 2007 he has worked in environmental health for the Utah County Health Department. He was a generalist until 2013 and since that time has been working as the Food Safety Program Manager. He is also currently president of the Utah Environmental Health Association. He has earned a bachelors degree from the University of Utah and a Masters degree in public administration from Brigham Young University.

Brett McIff , PhD, PAPHS

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Professional Title

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Resume or Biographical Sketch:

Dr. Brett McIff has worked in physical activity promotion for over 20 years in a variety of fields from personal training to policy development. He received his undergraduate degree at the University of Utah in Exercise and Sport Science. He continued his graduate work with a Master of Science in Public Health and a Ph.D. in Public Health at Walden University. Brett has served as President of the National Physical Activity Society and as President of the Utah Chapter of the Society of Public Health Educators, and served on expert panels with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the National Academy of Science. He works with committees at the national, state, and local levels to promote environments that encourage regular physical activity. He is currently the Physical Activity Coordinator at the Utah Department of Health.

Mary Jo McMillen, na

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Resume or Biographical Sketch:

Mary Jo has been in long-term recovery from alcohol and drug addiction since September 1985. She has been a Licensed Substance Use Disorder Counselor in Utah since 1988, working in multiple agencies and a continuum of treatment services. In 2007, Mary Jo joined a grass roots effort to establish the Board of Directors for USARA, Utah's first Addiction Recovery Community and Advocacy Organization. In 2010, Mary Jo became USARA's Executive Director and in 2011 USARA opened Utah's first peer run Recovery Community Center in Salt Lake County. Mary Jo's passion vision is to create a collaborative network of community partners to help grow USARA and the recovery community both in Utah and nationally. She values the tremendous contribution from volunteers that support USARA and assist others in finding their own personal recovery.

Thomas McMinn , MBA

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Professional Title

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Resume or Biographical Sketch:

Thomas McMinn is the Marketing and Social Media Coordinator for the Utah Department of Health. He received a B.S. degree in Communication from Southern Utah University and a M.B.A. from Westminster College. He has also earned a certification in Marketing Strategy from Cornell University and is currently working on a Social Media Strategy certification from Syracuse University. He has been active in the area of digital marketing and social media management for both the private and government sectors for over 8 years.

Libby Oseguera, MPA

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Resume or Biographical Sketch:

Libby Oseguera received a Bachelor of Science degree in Recreation at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas followed by a Master of Public Administration from California State University, Dominguez Hills. She began working for the Utah Department of Health coordinating the Disability and Health Program in March 2017. Prior, she worked as a Program Manager for the Utah Department of Human Services developing advocacy programs for Utahns with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Libby currently serves on the Disability Law Center Board of Trustees, is a Liaison member of the Utah Developmental Disabilities Council and chairs the Utah Disability Advisory Committee for the Bureau of Health Promotion. In her career, Libby has also worked to remove barriers and grow self-advocacy for people with disabilities in adaptive recreation programs, special education, and as an employment coach for adults with intellectual disabilities.

Amelia Prebish , MPH

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Resume or Biographical Sketch:

Amelia Prebish currently works at the Utah Department of Health (UDOH) in the Bureau of Epidemiology as a disease intervention specialist. She primarily works with cases of acute hepatitis C and acute hepatitis B, particularly among people who inject drugs. Concurrently, Amelia works in the Bureau of Health Promotion at UDOH as a naloxone coordinator and harm reduction navigator. In her free-time, Amelia likes to cook, snowboard, hike, and swim.

Kristen Reisig, MSW, LCSW

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Resume or Biographical Sketch:

Kristen Reisig is the Director of Clinical Operations at Davis Behavioral Health, and has served in this role since 2009. Prior to this role, Ms. Reisig administered the Children Youth and Families Program at the Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health. Kristen holds a Master of Social Work degree from the University of Utah, and is an LCSW.

Emily Roberts, MPH

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Resume or Biographical Sketch:

Emily Roberts is the Electronic Laboratory Reporting (ELR) Coordinator for the Utah Department of Health. She works within the Disease Control and Prevention Informatics Program (DCPIP). Emily has previous work experience as an HIV Surveillance Epidemiologist for the Utah Department of Health as well as a Disease Investigation Specialist (DIS) at the local health department level. Emily loves infectious disease, and has loved the transition from epidemiologist to informatician!

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Resume or Biographical Sketch:

Jessica Sanders is the Family Planning Research Director and Research Assistant Professor at the University of Utah. She received her PhD in Public Health from the University of Utah with an emphasis in Women's Health. Her research spans the spectrum of fertility and reproductive health and policy. She is involved with the HER Salt Lake Contraceptive Initiative and Family Planning Elevated, both projects are aimed at expanding access to comprehensive contraceptive care throughout Utah and the Intermountain West. She is working to evaluate the impact of expanded contraceptive access on women's lives and broader societal outcomes. Dr. Sanders approaches contraceptive access through a public health lens, advocating for the full range of reproductive health options through interdisciplinary academic and clinical research to ensure an evidenced-based and person-centered approach to education, policy and clinical care.

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Resume or Biographical Sketch:

Starr has worked in the nonprofit health sector nearly twenty years, with a primary focus on improving access to care and addressing social risk factors to improve health outcomes. She is currently a program manager at the Association for Utah Community Health (AUCH) where she manages a Community Health Worker project. Before AUCH, Starr spent nine years as the executive director at Community Health Connect, a Utah County based health access project. A graduate of Brigham Young University with a degree in cultural anthropology and a minor in international development, she loves cultural adventures. She received a Master's Degree in Public Administration from the University of Washington's Evans School of Public Policy and Governance with an emphasis in nonprofit management and international affairs. Starr enjoys projects where she feels she can help others. She loves diverse cultures, travel, and hiking and skiing in the mountains near her home. She lives with her husband and two children in Midway, Utah.

George Strawley, MLIS, MA, MS

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Resume or Biographical Sketch:

George Strawley comes to the All of Us Research Program with a background in both public and academic libraries. George served as director of the Uinta County Library, a three-branch public system based in Evanston, Wyo., from 2015 to 2017. Before that he was a campus librarian at College of The Albemarle, a community college in northeastern North Carolina. He holds master's degrees from St. John's College (Md.) in liberal arts, Ohio State University in journalism, and Rutgers University in library and information science. Before becoming a librarian, George was a wire-service and newspaper reporter in Pennsylvania and New Jersey for 14 years.

Samantha Tilton , B.S. Community Health Education

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Resume or Biographical Sketch:

Samantha Tilton has a Bachelor of Science Degree in Community Health Education from Utah Valley University. She is a Certified Health Education Specialist, has been certified in Substance Abuse and Prevention Skills Training (SAPST), is a fully certified trainer for Mental Health First Aid and Youth Mental Health First Aid, recently graduated from the National Coalition Academy through the Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America (CADCA), and has completed Suicide Prevention programs including QPR, SafeTALK, and ASIST. She works at Weber Human Services as a Community Health Educator in mental health and substance misuse prevention. She is currently doing an internship with the Social Development Research Group to become a Certified Communities That Care Coach. Samantha's passion to help others improve their lives impacts not only her work in the field, but her home and family life through volunteer service and outreach to the community.

Kevin Walker , MD

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Resume or Biographical Sketch:

Kevin A Walker was born and raised in Midvale, Utah and attended Hillcrest High School where he was frequently sleep deprived. He completed his undergraduate studies at Brigham Young University, earning a Bachelor of Music degree in Organ Performance. He attended medical school at The Ohio State University College of Medicine. He then returned to Utah to complete his neurology residency and sleep medicine fellowship at the University of Utah. His clinical practice is entirely devoted to treating adult sleep disorders at the Intermountain Sleep Disorders Center, and he also serves as the Program Director for the University of Utah and Affiliated Hospitals Sleep Medicine Fellowship Program. He is married with 4 children, the oldest of whom is now in 7th grade, and he has a vested interest in creating the optimal conditions for his children and all students to succeed in school and life.

Megan Waters , BS

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Violence Prevention Specialist

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Resume or Biographical Sketch:

Megan Waters is a Violence Prevention Specialist with the Utah Department of Health Violence & Injury Prevention Program. Her work focuses on the primary prevention of gender-based violence. She is currently pursuing her Master in Public Health degree from the University of Utah.

Amanda Whipple , MPH

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Health Program Coordinator

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Resume or Biographical Sketch:

Amanda Whipple is the project coordinator for the STD Surveillance Network, an eCR-focused project which aims to automatically move clinical data from provider electronic health records to the disease surveillance database at the Utah Department of Health. She has enjoyed working in many areas of public health including alcohol and tobacco, overdose, harm reduction, homelessness, HIV/AIDS, and many other communicable diseases. Amanda holds a Bachelor of Science in Health Promotion and Education and Master of Public Health.