## Northern Kentucky Fourth Annual Traumatic Brain Injury Conference "Art of Living...Life After Brain Injury" March 26, 2010

## **Speaker Biographies**

Patrick B. Donohue, Esq. KEYNOTE SPEAKER -Before launching the Sarah Jane Brain Project in October 2007, Patrick Donohue ran a bi-partisan political consulting and fundraising firm which raised over \$500 million for various politicians, causes and non-profit organizations over the course of 15 years. As an undergraduate at Rutgers College, Donohue triple majored in Mathematics, Philosophy, and Political Science, earning his B.A. in 1992. While building his consulting firm, he went on to earn his law degree in two and a half years from Fordham Law School in 1997 and his MBA in Finance from New York University Stern School of Business in 2000. Donohue currently is the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees, Chairman of the Finance Committee and is a Member of the Development Committee for Metropolitan College of New York. He is also a member of the Union League Club and is a parishioner at the Church of Our Savior in New York City. Donohue was born on December 19, 1970, and lives with his four-year-old daughter Sarah Jane in New York City. Sarah Jane was violently shaken by her baby nurse when she was five days old, causing a severe brain injury and thrusting Donohue into the tumultuous world of pediatric neurology.

Carol Baker, MA is the Community Supports Branch Manager for the Commonwealth of Kentucky's Division of Mental Retardation. She has been in this role for 3-1/2 years. The focus of this Branch is to regulate provision of supports to individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities by the Commonwealth's 14 Regional Community Mental Health Centers. In 2007, this Branch collaborated with these regional centers to develop and implement community-based crisis prevention and intervention services for adults with I/DD. Carol obtained her B.A. in Psychology from Transylvania University and her M.A. in Clinical Psychology from the University of Louisville. In addition to providing both outpatient and inpatient clinical services, she served as Directory of Psychology for Central State ICF/MR in Louisville, KY for 5 years before becoming Program Director of the unit for the Dually Diagnosed. Carol then served as the Executive Director of a non-profit community-based provider prior to returning to employment with the Commonwealth of Kentucky in her current position.

<u>Judith A. Behm, RN, MSN,CRRN</u> has worked in rehabilitation nursing since 1974. She has held positions as staff nurse, Manager, Clinical Nurse Specialist, Educator, and Director. She is co-chair of grand rounds committee and has been involved in the planning, hosting, and speaking at conferences on various rehabilitation topics, including sexuality and the persons with chronic illness and disability. Judi is guest lecturer for a local university and presents on rehabilitation of patients with TBI and SCI.

Roger N. Braden, JD, RN is a partner with Sutton Rankin Law, PLC in Edgewood, Kentucky since 2001 and has been practicing law since 1984. An experienced attorney and a former Registered Nurse with vast experience in trauma cases, Roger concentrates his law practice in the areas of catastrophic brain injury, personal injury and health law. Roger is Board Certified in Civil Trial Advocacy by the National Board of Trial Advocacy. In the 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008 editions of the Cincy (formerly CincyBusiness) Magazine, Roger was selected by his peers as one of the leading medical malpractice attorneys in the Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky area. In 2007 he was selected by his peers as a SuperLawyer in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. He is also a member Brain Injury Association of Kentucky and the North American Brain Injury Society. He is on the Board of Directors for BRIDGES (Brain Injury Demands Guidance, Education and Support) Support Group. In 2007 he was a leader in forming the 1st Annual Brain Injury Conference in Northern Kentucky and currently serves on the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Northern Kentucky Brain Injury Conference Planning Committee.

<u>Kathleen M. Chard, PhD</u> is the Director of the PTSD and Anxiety Disorders Division at the Cincinnati VA Medical Center and Associate Professor of Clinical Psychiatry at the University of Cincinnati. As the VA CPT Implementation Director, Dr. Chard oversees the dissemination of Cognitive Processing Therapy to VA clinicians across the United States. She is the author of the CPT for Sexual Abuse treatment manual and is co-author of the Cognitive Processing Therapy: Military Version manual. Dr. Chard has trained clinicians throughout the VA, DoD and public sector on using CPT with veterans and active duty personnel in individual and group formats. She is an

active researcher and she has conducted several funded studies on the treatment and etiology of PTSD. Currently, Dr. Chard is exploring the efficacy of CPT with veterans with PTSD and comorbid traumatic brain injury.

Carlee Christman, CTRS graduated from Eastern Kentucky University in 2007 with a Bachelor's Degree in Recreation and Parks Administration with a major in Therapeutic Recreation and a minor in American Sign Language. Previously, she worked at Brooks Rehabilitation Hospital in Jacksonville, FL working with patients of all ages and all needs for two years. Currently, she is working at Bridgewell Hospital in Cincinnati, Ohio. She developed the Therapeutic Recreation Departments at Brooks and Bridgewell. She works with her therapy dog, Cosmo, 2-½ old black golden-doodle.

<u>Mark H. Deis, MD</u> was born and raised in Dayton, OH, the youngest of six children. He completed undergraduate studies at the University of Dayton, medical school at the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine, then went on to complete a residency in General Pediatrics at Cincinnati Childrens' Hospital Medical Center and a fellowship in Developmental Pediatrics at Childrens' Hospital Medical Center of Akron. He then stayed on as a member of the Department of Developmental Pediatrics in Akron for two years, moved into general pediatrics with the Cleveland Clinic Foundation for the next two years, and for the past eight years has been with Pediatric Associates of Northern Kentucky. His main clinical interests are Down Syndrome, ADHD, psychopharmacology and developmental disabilities in general. He lives in Union, KY with his wife, Andrea, and their 5 children, ages ranging 5 to 16.

Lucy Fruchtenicht, MS currently works at Glenn O. Swing Elementary as a School Counselor. She worked in Special Education as a teacher of students with severe needs for 9 years beginning in 1989. She then went to Boone County and taught two years as a Functional Mental Disability Teacher. She then taught two more years at Mary Goetz Elementary in Ludlow, Kentucky as a resource teacher serving students who qualified for services from functional mental disability to learning disabilities. She then went back to Covington where she became an intervention specialist for the last seven years. She currently holds certificates in the areas of: a Bachelor of Arts in Special Education, a Masters of Education in Learning and Behavior Disorders, and a Rank 1 in the area of School Counseling.

Tom Hensold, MS, CRC, CADC, is a Rehabilitation Counselor, Neurobehavioral Program. He has worked extensively in rehabilitation for those with acquired brain injuries, as well as other populations of special needs. After receiving a Bachelor's Degree (Illinois State University, 1978) with an emphasis on Music Therapy, he worked with emotionally disturbed adolescents and adults with chronic mental illness. He has been at the Center for Comprehensive Services, a post-acute residential rehabilitation for those with ABI, since 1988. He received his Masters Degree in Rehabilitation Counseling at Southern Illinois University in December 2000. Tom's experience and training have contributed to his effectiveness for presentations and consulting of other professionals within his specialty areas. He has been extensively involved in the development of the Substance Abuse Treatment Program at CCS, including its incorporation with other community support networks. He is a Master's Level Trainer for the Crisis Prevention Institute. He has been a CCS trainer for the utilization of progressive behavioral strategies for those with serious unwanted behaviors. He has developed or adapted several types of therapy groups for those with ABI, including the topics of Substance Abuse, Music Therapy, and Attitudinal Healing.

Eileen Hornback, a native of Louisville and a graduate from Sullivan College is the wife of Scott Hornback and the mother of Zack, Dylan, Kyle and Logan. Eileen is the marketing manager of Butler Flooring Services, a Louisville-based company. Since 2005 when her oldest son, Zack, surprisingly survived a car cash, Eileen began to be an advocate for her son, Zack. Not only does her son, Zack, go with her and tell his story of recovery; but his younger sister, Kyle, has become a very articulate spokesperson for brain injury. Kyle recently won the Junior Miss Kentucky Beauty Padgett and went to California to participate in the national Junior Miss USA Beauty Contest. Eileen is a frequently requested speaker and speaks to audience large and small both in churches and in the community. Eileen also works tirelessly with the Brain Injury Alliance of Kentucky (BIAK).

Jenny Jordan, MS, CCC-SLP is a licensed speech-language pathologist with the Center for Comprehensive Services-Mentor ABI in Paducah. She graduated from Murray State University in 1995 with a B.S. in Speech Communication and in 1997 with a M.S. in Communication Disorders and Sciences. Upon graduation in 1997 she worked in an acute rehabilitation unit at Lourdes Hospital in Paducah, Kentucky, providing speech-language and cognitive services. Jenny has been with CCS-KY since March of 2002. She provided speech-language services initially and then transitioned to Case Manager and program Coordinator before becoming the Program Director in 2009

<u>Kenneth J. Manges, PhD</u> is a clinical psychologist, forensic psychologist, vocational expert and nationally recognized expert in Traumatic Stress Disorder. He is often called to testify as an expert in court cases on Traumatic Brain Injuries. He has over 30 years of training and experience in providing consultation, evaluations and treatment for individuals and couples.

Ed Massey, JD is a native of Northern Kentucky; he is a graduate of Lloyd High School, Eastern Kentucky University, and Chase College of Law. Ed has a thriving legal practice with two law offices: one office in Kenton County and one in Grant County. He is a member of the Kentucky Bar Association, Ohio Bar Association, and Indiana Bar Association. Ed is a three-time past chairman of the Boone County Board of Education and is currently serving his third term in office. In his thirteenth year on the School Board, he continues to provide visionary leadership for Boone County Schools and all the schools in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. Ed has been involved in education since 1989 when he began as a substitute teacher in the Boone County School System. He is a graduate of the 2004 Class of Leadership Kentucky, a unique program designed "to advance Kentucky by bringing people with leadership abilities together and providing them with insight into the complex issues facing our state." In addition to these educational opportunities, Ed previously conducted seminars and training in CPR, First Aid, and Water Safety; skills he gained while serving his community as an EMT while in Law School. Ed is very enthusiastic about discussing education with other educators across our county.

Mark Modlin, MS, NCC is a trial consultant with Modlin & Jones Mediation and Trial Consulting. He is a graduate of Northern Kentucky University and Xavier University. He is a member and former Board Member of the American society of Trial Consultants. In addition, Mark is a member of the National Board of Certified Counselors, the American Counseling Association, the Kentucky Counseling Association, and holds Diplomat Status in the International Academy of Behavioral Medicine Counseling and Psychotherapy, Inc. For 25 years, Mark has assisted defense and plaintiff attorneys in over 6,000 criminal and civil cases in Federal and state courts across the country including over 2,000 cases that have gone through the process of mediation or arbitration. He has consulted with a number of Fortune 500 Companies and conducted focus groups and mock trials across the nation.

James F. Phifer, PhD is the founder and executive director of Radical Rehab Solutions, LLC, a community re-entry program/supported living program with offices in Huntington WV, Ashland, KY, Lexington, KY and Louisville, KY. He maintains a private practice in clinical and forensic neuropsychology. He received his Ph.D. from the University of Louisville and completed an internship in rehabilitation neuropsychology at Rush-Presbyterian-St. Luke's Medical Center in Chicago and postdoctoral training at the University of Alabama Medical School. Prior to entering private practice, he was an assistant professor and director of the Cerebrovascular Disease program at the University of Alabama Medical School. He currently teaches neuroanatomy at the West Virginia University Health Sciences Center. He is the author of numerous journal articles and scientific studies and has presented both nationally and internationally.

<u>Theresa Schneider-Eubank, RN</u> began her career in nursing at Cincinnati Children's Hospital, and during her time at Children's she developed a patient parent education program for surgical patients. She currently is the Clinical Director at Cardinal Hill Specialty Hospital, a 33 bed Long Term Acute Care Facility, after being their Quality and Infection Control and Prevention Manager for 2 years. She, along with a small core of other employees, were the developers of the LTACH some 6 years ago and continues to find satisfaction in the operation and care it provides to patients and families that are medically complex including trauma patients from local hospital as well as those from out of state.

Rae Williams, BA works for the Kentucky Department for Behavioral Health, Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities, Division of Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities in Frankfort. As a trainer, her role is to research, write and educate providers, staff and individuals about the best practices in Supported Employment, Core Values, Abuse Prevention, Crisis Prevention & Intervention and Sexuality Education. She is certified in QPR Suicide Prevention Training and Cognitive Behavioral Causation. She is a core member of Project SAFE a multidisciplinary collaboration of victim service and disability-related service providers. Project SAFE is dedicated to ensuring safety and accessibility for everyone. She has extensive experience in the field of Public Health. She served as a Program Director for an Abstinence and Teen Sexual Health Program and Liaison and Coordinator for the Kentucky Physician Care Program. She also researched, collected and organized health care data to determine the service needs of communities. She is a graduate of the University of Kentucky with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science.