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Champions of Family and Community

GenerateHealth mobilizes and inspires the St. Louis region to advance racial equity in pregnancy outcomes, family well-being, and community health.

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Stand with us
AS WE STAND UP FOR MOTHERS AND BABIES
THIS CELEBRATION HONORS THOSE DILIGENTLY WORKING TO ADVANCE EQUITY IN THE HEALTH OF WOMEN AND INFANTS.

11:30 AM NETWORKING

NOON LUNCH

12:15 PM LUNCH & EVENT PROGRAM
JOHN HEAD, TREASURER, BOARD OF DIRECTORS
KELVIN WESTBROOK, STANDING UP FOR MOTHERS AND BABIES
AWARDS LUNCHEON HONORARY CHAIR

12:45 CEREMONY
KEYNOTE: DR. RAHUL GUPTA | FUND THE NEED | AWARDS PRESENTATION

KEYNOTE SPEAKER
RAHUL GUPTA, MD, MPH, MBA, FACP
SVP & CHIEF MEDICAL AND HEALTH OFFICER

RAHUL GUPTA, MD, MPH, MBA, FACP, GAINED NATIONAL RECOGNITION FOR HIS WORK AS PUBLIC HEALTH COMMISSIONER FOR WEST VIRGINIA PRIOR TO BEING NAMED SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT AND CHIEF MEDICAL AND HEALTH OFFICER AT MARCH OF DIMES IN 2018, THE NATION’S LEADER IN MOM AND BABY HEALTH. IN HIS ROLE WITH MARCH OF DIMES, DR. GUPTA PROVIDES STRATEGIC OVERSIGHT FOR MARCH OF DIMES MEDICAL AND PUBLIC HEALTH EFFORTS TO IMPROVE THE HEALTH OF ALL MOMS AND BABIES.

AS COMMISSIONER AND STATE HEALTH OFFICER IN WEST VIRGINIA, DR. GUPTA LEAD THE STATE’S OPIOID CRISIS RESPONSE AND LAUNCHED A NUMBER OF PIONEERING PUBLIC HEALTH INITIATIVES, SUCH AS THE BIRTHSCORE PROGRAM TO IDENTIFY HIGH-RISK INFANTS. DR. GUPTA, A SPECIALIST IN INTERNAL MEDICINE AND PREVENTIVE MEDICINE, SERVED AS AN ACADEMIC FACULTY IN TENNESSEE AND ALABAMA BEFORE GOING TO WEST VIRGINIA ORIGINALLY IN 2009 TO LEAD THE KANAWHA-CHARLESTON HEALTH DEPARTMENT. HE IS ALSO ADJUNCT PROFESSOR IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH POLICY, MANAGEMENT AND LEADERSHIP IN THE SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH AT WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY AND HOLDS SEVERAL OTHER ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS AS WELL.
At SSM Health, we take the time to connect with you, listen to you and understand you better. We call this the healing power of presence. And it’s found in moments like this. Because the better we know you as a person, the better we can treat you as a patient.
ANNE SEBERT KUHLMANN, PHD, MPH

Anne Sebert Kuhlmann, PhD, MPH is an Associate Professor in the College for Public Health and Social Justice at Saint Louis University and serves as Director of SLU’s Master of Public Health Program.

Anne’s research focuses on improving the lives of women in low-resource settings both locally and internationally. Locally, she has dedicated her work to getting menstrual hygiene resources to women with low-income through conducting a survey study to determine community needs. The results showed that cost and transportation were barriers to accessing basic sanitary supplies. She also learned about negative health issues that can result from lack of access to menstrual hygiene products. After finalizing her study, Anne reached out to local organizations and advocates who could use it to create change. Her work illustrates her commitment to the community, and to working together as a region.

She initially got involved in menstrual hygiene research through her work with dignity Period, a St. Louis-based non-profit that supports menstrual hygiene interventions for school children in Ethiopia and is currently expanding their work in St. Louis. In addition, she currently collaborates on maternal health research with indigenous populations in the Andean Highlands of Ecuador and on the evaluation of community mobilization interventions to improve maternal health outcomes in Malawi.

Anne has a PhD in Health and Behavior Sciences from the University of Colorado Denver, an MPH from the University of Michigan, and a B.S. in Anthropology and Spanish from Emory University. Anne and her family enjoy exploring St. Louis, exercising, cooking together, and attending sports events.

She will be honored with the Dr. Terry Leet Researcher Award for her dedication to women’s health and expanding resources and care to those who do not otherwise have access.

ANGELA SCHIEFELBEIN, FNP, BC

Angela Schiefelbein, FNP, BC (Pronouns: She/Her) is a Family Nurse Practitioner and cares for family members of any age (including kids, adults, women’s health and pregnant women). She has been working at Affinia Healthcare since 2002 and has cared for over 3,200 children and 400 pregnant women since the introduction of their electronic medical records in 2006. She speaks Spanish and Portuguese, which is instrumental to her work with immigrants.

Angela received her BSN from Barnes College and her Family Nurse Practitioner degree from St. Louis University. She worked as a floor and charge nurse at Barnes-Jewish Hospital for five years before traveling first to El Salvador and then Angola, Africa. In both these settings, she worked as a volunteer nurse to create programs that could be led by local people, helping to grow connections of health-based support.

In addition to her work in the healthcare field, Angela spent over 25 years as part of the Karen House community, a group that provides hospitality to unhoused women, children, and transgender people in North St. Louis.

Angela participates in the Centering Pregnancy and Centering Parenting program, facilitating groups in both English and Spanish, and also trains Affinia providers and staff to deliver the program. Centering is an international model program that replaces individual care with longer, more personalized group care, encouraging patients to share health wisdom with each other. This model that has shown remarkably positive health outcomes. Angela has also been a participant in the Enhanced Centering Project in St. Louis, striving to both address class and racial bias in the centering curriculum and also make it more inclusive, especially to participants of color.

Angela has recently begun offering specific care to transgender folks. She is excited about this new opportunity, as there are very few safe, inclusive and knowledgeable healthcare options for transgender people in St. Louis. Most of Angela’s patients are targeted by racism, xenophobia, sexism, and other oppressions, and she is constantly humbled by their resilience and strength. While focusing on alleviating the direct harm of these oppressions through her work at Affinia, Angela also seeks to constantly work for social justice, toward a world that is free of these oppressions.

Angela will be honored with the Dr. Corinne Walentik Provider Award for her dedication to kids, adults, women, and pregnant women’s health and wellbeing.
**Provider Award**

**Care (Clinic for Acceptance, Recovery, and Empowerment) in Pregnancy**

Care (Clinic for Acceptance, Recovery, and Empowerment) in pregnancy is one of only two programs in St. Louis that offer prenatal care, substance abuse treatment and extended postpartum support for pregnant women facing the challenges of an opioid use disorder. Their personalized treatment plans help support the wellbeing of mother and child not just during pregnancy but for at least one full year postpartum.

The multidisciplinary care team includes maternal-fetal medicine specialists, specially-trained nurses, neonatologists, social workers, psychiatrists and therapists. Care in pregnancy provides access to newborn medicine physicians who will carefully monitor the health and development of the baby throughout the crucial first year of life. Their highly skilled team is dedicated to helping women achieve healthier pregnancies and reduce the risk of both pre- and postpartum complications. The goal is to help mothers overcome their opioid use disorder in the long-term, not just during pregnancy.

This team has impacted the culture in hospital nurseries through provider engagement and training. They have not only made an impact at a system-level with their expertise in clinical care and quality improvement, but also on an individual level with their empathy, caring and one-on-one engagement. This team is receiving the Dr. Corinne Walentik Provider Champion Award for their dedication to the health and wellbeing of moms and their babies.

**Team Members Include:**

- **Barbara Cowlan MD** - Professor of Pediatrics, Newborn Medicine, Washington University School of Medicine
- **Kim Hamlin MD** - Pediatric Hospitalist at St. Louis Children’s Hospital, Associate Professor of Pediatrics, Washington University School of Medicine
- **Hatley Friedman MD** - Instructor of Pediatrics, Division of Newborn Medicine, Washington University School of Medicine
- **Jeannie C. Kelly MD** - MS, Assistant Professor, Medical Director for Care in Pregnancy Clinical Team, Department of OB-GYN, Division of Maternal-Fetal Medicine, Washington University School of Medicine
- **Chonita Krause MBA, BSN** - Assistant Nurse Manager, NICU, St. Louis Children’s Hospital
- **Steve L. Liao MD, MSCI** - Assistant Professor of Pediatrics, Washington University School of Medicine, Chief of Pediatrics and NICU Medical Director at Missouri Baptist Medical Center
- **Cheryl Meador BSN** - Assistant Nurse Manager, NICU, St. Louis Children’s Hospital
- **Brittany Vaughn RN** - Nurse Coordinator, Barnes-Jewish Hospital
- **Amaly Yosef, LMWW** - Clinical Research Coordinator, Washington University School of Medicine

**This award is named in memory of Corinne Walentik, MD, MPH (1949 – 2012), who was widely recognized as a passionate advocate for babies and families, particularly for those with little voice. Few resources and unequal access through this way we hope Dr. Walentik’s legacy as the community conscience for children will endure and inspire others to invest in what’s right for families.**

**Community Champion Award**

**Junior League of St. Louis**

**Day 366: Helping Our Smallest Thrive in Their First Year**

Junior League of St. Louis (JLSL) is an organization of women committed to promoting volunteerism, developing the potential of women, and improving the community through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. They are a diverse group of more than 500 active and sustaining members committed to inclusive environments of diverse individuals, organizations, and communities.

Since 1914, Junior League of St. Louis has worked to improve the greater St. Louis area with impactful, innovative contributions to our community. Through long-term projects, financial donations, and the creation of trained female volunteers, their focus is on building a better community for everyone to enjoy. Throughout their history, the Junior League of St. Louis’s initiatives have led to lasting efforts and organizations. They helped co-found the St. Louis Crisis Nursery; they were a founding sponsor of the first St. Louis Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure, and their efforts to pass a childhood immunization bill led to the formation of the St. Louis Immunization Coalition.

In 2016, Junior League of St. Louis launched Day 366: Helping Our Smallest Thrive in Their First Year, an initiative aimed at dramatically reducing the number of St. Louis-area babies dying in their first 365 days of life from the rate of 11.8 deaths per 1,000 babies.

This initiative aims to reduce infant mortality through education, advocacy, and community impact. They are working with local and state legislators, providing testimony to the importance of their initiative. JLSL also held their first Infant Mortality Symposium in April, which included a panel of experts on the topic of infant mortality discussing why St. Louis is facing high rates of infant mortality, and how to look toward a healthier future. The symposium will be replicated bi-annually.

JLSL believes infant mortality is linked to the overall health of our society. When babies aren’t healthy, neither is the community. They will be honored with the Alderman Gregory Carter Community Champion Award for their dedication to reducing infant mortality in the St. Louis region, and creating a thriving community.

**This award is named in memory of Alderman Gregory Carter (1958 – 2012). Alderman Carter is recognized for making significant impact on the health of women, children, and families in his community. Alderman Carter rallied the community to address high rates of infant mortality and was a champion of the Triumph Initiative.**
MONICA WADE MANAGES THE PAGEDALE OFFICE FOR HELPING HAND ME Downs. HELPING HAND ME Downs’ MISSION IS TO ENHANCE THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES IN THE ST. LOUIS AREA BY MEETING THEIR IMMEDIATE NEEDS, THEN CONNECTING THEM WITH LIFE-CHANGING RESOURCES THAT FOSTER INDEPENDENCE. THE FAMILIES THEY SERVE RECEIVE CLOTHING, A SEASONAL COAT OR JACKET, SOCKS, SHOES, TOYS, AND BOOKS.

MONICA BEGAN HER JOURNEY WITH HELPING HAND ME Downs AS A RECIPIENT OF THEIR SERVICES AND LOVED IT SO MUCH SHE STARTED VOLUNTEERING ON HER DAYS OFF. A YEAR LATER, SHE WAS OFFERED THE OPPORTUNITY TO OPEN AND MANAGE HER OWN LOCATION IN PAGEDALE. SHE HAS QUICKLY BECOME THE GO-TO PERSON FOR SOCIAL WORKERS WHEN A NEED ARISES FOR A FAMILY.

GROWING UP LESS FORTUNATE, MONICA WADE MADE UP HER MIND THAT SHE NEVER WANTED TO SEE ANOTHER MOTHER, CHILD, OR FAMILY GO WITHOUT EVERY DAY NEEDS. USING HER TALENT FOR EXTREME COUPONING, SHE SHARES HER OVERSTOCK PURCHASES TO LESSEN SOMEONE’S STRUGGLE. WORDS CAN’T EXPRESS HOW BIG HER HEART IS.

SHE HAS CREATED FROM SCRATCH VARIOUS TRAININGS AND EDUCATION SESSIONS. MONICA ORCHESTRATES HER OWN PERSONAL COAT DRIVE, BACK-TO-SCHOOL DRIVE, AND TURKEY DRIVE. SHE ALSO CREATES LOVING CARE BASKETS ON A REGULAR BASIS TO FUEL HER PASSION TO UPLIFT OUR COMMUNITY.

AS THE HELPING HAND ME Downs’ PAGEDALE SITE MANAGER, MONICA OFFERS INSPIRATION AND SUPPORT TO CLIENTS. SHE WAS ALSO INSTRUMENTAL IN ESTABLISHING A NEW PARTNERSHIP WITH OPERATION FOOD SEARCH, WHICH ALLOWS HER LOCATION TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY FOOD TO FAMILIES. ULTIMATELY, MONICA WADE WILL LAUNCH HER OWN NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION. SHE HAS ALREADY HELPED HUNDREDS OF FAMILIES AND LOOKS FORWARD TO THE DAY WHEN SHE HAS IMPACTED A MILLION LIVES. KEEP YOUR EYE ON HER. SHE IS A ST. LOUIS STAR ON THE RISE.

SHE WILL BE HONORED WITH THE ALDERMAN GREGORY CARTER COMMUNITY CHAMPION AWARD FOR HER POWERFUL DEDICATION TO HELPING MOMS, CHILDREN, AND FAMILIES IN THE COMMUNITY.
In 1827, Catherine McAuley witnessed poverty and disease afflicting the women and children around her. She responded by founding the House of Mercy in Dublin, Ireland. Since then, the Religious Sisters of Mercy have served the poor and sick in hundreds of schools and hospitals across the globe. Mercy is proud to support the Standing up for Mothers and Babies Awards Luncheon. mercy.net/GenerateHealth

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Jasmine D. EVANS PUBLIC RELATIONS, LLC.

Salutes Generate Health for 20 Years of Standing Up For Mothers and Babies.

We support Generate Health’s vision of having ZERO racial disparities in infant mortality in the St. Louis region!

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THANK YOU from Generate Health

WE ARE RECOGNIZING THOSE WHO JOINED OR RENEWED THEIR GENERATE HEALTH MEMBERSHIP DURING OUR MEMBERSHIP SPECIAL THIS SUMMER, AS PART OF OUR 20TH ANNIVERSARY CAMPAIGN.

Nicole Ackermann
Emily Combs
Amanda Harrod
Stephanie White
Pamela Xaverius
Bethany Christian Services

THANK YOU TO THESE INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANIZATIONS. YOUR SUPPORT IS VITAL TO GENERATING POWER AND IMPACT, AND WE ARE THRILLED TO HAVE YOU AS A PART OF OUR TEAM:

Share Pregnancy and Infant Loss Support, Inc.
Silver Arrow Strategies
SSM St. Mary’s
St. Louis Crisis Nursery

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"AS I THINK ABOUT THE GREAT THINGS GENERATE HEALTH HAS BROUGHT TO ST. LOUIS AND INTO THE REGION TO MOMS AND BABIES ESPECIALLY, IT IS A SPIRIT OF PARTNERSHIP."
- RICK MAJZUN, PAST BOARD CHAIR

"THE MAGIC OF PBHI [PERINATAL BEHAVIORAL HEALTH INITIATIVE] IS IN THE WAY EVERY PERSON AT THE TABLE WORKS TOGETHER TOWARD A COMMON GOAL….WHEN WE THINK ABOUT THE FUTURE, IT IS HARD TO IMAGINE A ST. LOUIS WHERE THE PBHI DOESN'T EXIST. WE CAN GENUINELY SAY THAT WOMEN'S LIVES HAVE BEEN SAVED BY PARTICIPATING IN THIS INITIATIVE."
- EMILY STUART, LIFEWISE

"AS A PERSON INVOLVED FROM THE BEGINNING, I CAN SAY GENERATE HEALTH HAS FOR ME BEEN THE BRIDGE FOR MATERNAL CHILD HEALTH COMMUNITY…. GENERATE HEALTH HAS NOT BEEN AFRAID TO SPEAK THE TRUTH TO MOVE THE NEEDLE IN A POSITIVE POSITION."
JUDY WILSON-GRIFFIN, SSM ST. MARY'S

#TOGETHERWEGENERATE

THESE EXCERPTS FROM PARTNER TESTIMONIALS DEMONSTRATE HOW WE GENERATE FAR MORE IMPACT TOGETHER THAN ALONE. TOGETHER WE WILL ACHIEVE THE VISION OF A THRIVING COMMUNITY WHERE THERE ARE NO RACIAL DISPARITIES IN INFANT MORTALITY AND MATERNAL HEALTH. WHEN WE DO – THOUSANDS OF FAMILIES EACH YEAR WILL BE STRONGER AND HEALTHIER AND SO WILL OUR ENTIRE REGION.

WORKING TOGETHER MULTIPLIES OUR IMPACT – AND IT IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER FOR US TO MOVE TOGETHER TOWARD EQUITY. NOW MORE THAN EVER IN OUR 20-YEAR HISTORY WE NEED TO GROW THE COLLECTIVE WE AS FUEL FOR THE VISION.

A STRONG COLLECTIVE WE REQUIRES ENGAGEMENT OF BROAD STAKEHOLDERS, EQUIPPING OUR NETWORK WITH TOOLS, KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS, FOCUSING THE NETWORK ON SHARED PRIORITIES AND CREATING OPPORTUNITIES TO MAKE CHANGE IN THEIR ORGANIZATION AND SPHERES OF INFLUENCE. WITH YOUR HELP, GENERATE HEALTH WILL DO THIS THROUGH SUPPORTING THE LEADERSHIP OF COMMUNITY MEMBERS, DESIGNING AND HOSTING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT/TRAINING, FOSTERING EFFECTIVE PARTNERSHIPS, DELIVERING THE INNOVATIVE SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH TOUR, AND THROUGH FACILITATING CONNECTION BETWEEN ADVOCATES AND DECISION MAKERS.

BY MAKING A GIFT TO GENERATE HEALTH’S FUND A NEED, YOU ARE SUPPORTING EFFORTS TO GROW OUR COLLECTIVE WE - WHICH WILL LEAD TO BETTER HEALTH AND DRIVE GREATER PROGRESS TOWARD OUR SHARED VISION WHERE EVERYONE BENEFITS.

FUND A NEED LEVELS
$2,500 PREPARE AND SUPPORT A COMMUNITY MEMBER FOR LEADERSHIP
$1,000 CONNECT COMMUNITY ADVOCATES WITH DECISION MAKERS
$500 DELIVER A SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH EDUCATION TOUR
$250 HOST A STAKEHOLDER CONVENING TO BUILD PARTNERSHIPS
$100 PROVIDE CHILD CARE SO COMMUNITY MEMBERS CAN PARTICIPATE IN LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES
$25 PROVIDE ROUND TRIP TRANSPORTATION SO A COMMUNITY MEMBER CAN PARTICIPATE IN LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES