

**The George Washington University  
School of Public Health and Health Services  
Geiger Gibson Program in Community Health Policy**

***Emerging Leader Award***

National Association of Community Health Centers  
Policy and Issues Forum  
Washington, DC  
March 28, 2009

*Presented to*

**Shantelle A. Leatherwood, MHA**  
**Practice Administrator**  
**Christ Community health Services, Inc.**

for extraordinary service and leadership on behalf of CCHS. Her accomplishments include developing and securing \$1.3 million for *The JOURNEY* – an ongoing youth development program, managing the opening of three health centers and the assimilation of an acquired dental clinic, creation of a centralized call center, and the implementation of a comprehensive service quality program across the health center.

*And*

**Lana Sargent, MS, RN, FPN-c, GNP-BC**  
**Director of Nurse Practitioners and Physician Assistants**  
**Family Health Center of Worcester, Inc.**

for extraordinary service and leadership on behalf of FHCW. Her accomplishments include the development of the Family Nurse Practitioner Residency Program, assisting in the Geriatrics program at FHCW, partnering with UMass and the AHEC on a geriatric research project, serving as a preceptor for the Community Service Learning program at UMass, and provision of patient care and supervision and support for nurse practitioners, physician assistants, and nurse midwives throughout the health center.

## *2009 Emerging Leader Nominees*

Representing the finest in health center leadership, these individuals have been recognized by their health centers and their communities.

**EVANS ASUMANG**

William F. Ryan Community Health Center

**MICHAEL BAKER**

Midtown Community Health Center

**MARTA BARAJAS**

Columbia River Community Health Services

**CARRIE BAUMGARTNER**

Family Healthcare Center

**JAKE BECKER**

Esperanza Health Center

**ANDREA BENDA**

Thomas E. Langley Medical Center

**KYLE BLACK**

Lexington-Fayette County PCA

**DAVID COLLYMORE \***

Soundview HealthCare Network

**JASON CUNNINGHAM**

West County Health Centers

**CHRISTINE DODD**

Clinica Sierra Vista

**MARCY DOYLE \***

Lamprey Health Care

**JAMES EDWARDS**

Community Health Care

**MARIA ESCALERA**

Lynn Community Health Center

**IGNACIO FERREY**

La Clinica de La Raza

**LISA FUNDERBURG**

Oklahoma Community Health Services

**DARA AQUILA GOVAN**

Neighborhood Health Services Corporation

**NIC GRANUM**

Central City Concern Old Town Clinic

**ANTHONY HALL**

Community Health of South Florida

**NICOLE HARRIS**

Care Alliance Health Center

**ANGELA HERMAN**

Missouri Primary Care Association

**RACHEL HOLLOWAY**

Lifelong Medical Care

**SHANTELE**

**LEATHERWOOD \***

Christ Community Health Services

**RISHI MANCHANDA**

St. John's Well Child and Family Centers

**ELENI MANOUSOGIANNAKIS**

Venice Family Clinic

**LANIE MASILAMANI**

Valley Health Systems

**LOUISE MCCARTHY**

Community Clinic Association of LA County

**MARIE MCCARTHY**

PrimeCare Community Health

**H. KENETT MELGAR**

Blue Ridge Community Health Services

**KRISTIN MUNRO-LEIGHTON**

Family Health Centers

**SARAH NOONAN**

Westside Family Healthcare

**SHEILA FERNANDEZ OCH \***

Lowell Community Health Center

**ERIC PETTIT**

Metro Community Provider Network

**LANDER PURVIS**

Community Health Partners

**JEN RODOSTA**

Lone Star Circle of Care

**ERIN ROSS**

Avis Goodwin Community Health Center/Bi-State PCA

**FERNANDA RUIZ**

Mary's Center for Maternal and Child Care

**LANA SARGENT \***

Family Health Center of Worcester

**BLAIRE SIEFKEN**

Maine Migrant Health Program

**NICHOLE SLUSS**

Northwest Health Services

**MYRNA TORRESDEY**

La Maestra Family Clinic

**NORMA VERDUZCO**

Family HealthCare Network

**JONATHAN WATSON**

Minnesota Association of Community Health Centers

**JASON WESCO \***

Community Health Center of Southeast Kansas

**MIKE ZODUN**

Eastern Shore Rural Health System

\* Denotes 2009 Emerging Leader Award Finalist

## *Schedule of Events*

### **Welcome and Introduction**

**Anne Kauffman Nolon, MPH**  
President & CEO of the Hudson River  
Healthcare and  
2006 Geiger Gibson Distinguished  
Visitor in Community Health Policy

**Velma Hendershott, MPA**  
President & CEO of InterCare  
Community Health Network and  
2009 Geiger Gibson Distinguished  
Visitor in Community Health Policy

### **On the Occasion of the 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Geiger Gibson Program**

**Jack Geiger, MD, M.Sci**  
Arthur C. Logan Professor  
Emeritus of Community Medicine  
City University of New York  
Medical School

### **Introduction of Keynote**

**James W. Hunt, Jr., MUA, CAE**  
President & CEO of the Massachusetts  
League of Community Health Centers  
and 2004 Geiger Gibson Distinguished  
Visitor in Community Health

### **Keynote Address**

**Reed Tuckson, MD**  
Executive Vice President and Chief of  
Medical Affairs at UnitedHealth Group

### **Presentation of Geiger Gibson Emerging Leader Award**

**David Reynolds, DrPH**  
Senior Health Policy Advisor for U.S.  
Senator Bernie Sanders (VT) and 2005  
Geiger Gibson Distinguished Visitor in  
Community Health

**Ann Hathaway Peters, M.Sci**  
Executive Director of Lamprey  
Health Care and 2008 Geiger Gibson  
Distinguished Visitor in Community  
Health

**Ross Brooks**  
Director of Health Center  
Operations of Colorado Community  
Health Network and 2008 Emerging  
Leader Award Recipient

### **Closing**

**Sara Rosenbaum, JD**  
Hirsh Professor and Chair of the  
Department of Health Policy at the  
George Washington University

## About the Award

The Emerging Leader award was established in 2007 to highlight and share with the health center community the accomplishments of a new generation of health center leaders. An Emerging Leader is selected annually by the Program, with the assistance of an advisory group comprised of health center leaders. The key qualities of leadership highlighted by this award are commitment, motivation, professional achievement, and leadership qualities that together further the health center mission.

For more information, please visit <http://www.gwumc.edu/sphhs/departments/healthpolicy/ggprogram/>

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