

**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  
February 27, 2010

*Presented to*

**Xochitl Anderton, DDS**  
Dental Director  
Community Health Center of Lubbock  
Lubbock, Texas

for extraordinary service and leadership in clinical management

*And*

**Norma Verduzco**  
Project Director - Operations  
Family HealthCare Network  
Visalia, California

for extraordinary service and leadership in administration and  
management

## *2010 Emerging Leader Nominees*

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

**WENDY ARMENDARIZ**

Arizona Association of Community Health Centers

**JEN BARRERA**

Lone Star Circle of Care

**KYLE BLACK**

Lexington-Fayette County Health Department Primary Care Center

**JOHN BROWNE**

Community Health Association of Spokane

**TIM COMEAUX**

Brockton Neighborhood Health Center

**JENICE CONTRERAS**

Care Alliance Health Center

**AMBER CRIST \***

Cabin Creek Health Systems

**DAYNA DOROBIALA**

Peak Vista Community Health Centers

**ALLISON DUBOIS \***

Hudson River HealthCare

**JAMES CURTIS EDWARDS**

Community Health Care

**LISA FUNDERBURG**

Variety Care Family Center

**CRAIG GLOVER**

Grace Hill Neighborhood Health Centers

**NIC GRANUM**

Old Town Clinic

**CAITLIN HAGER**

Maine Primary Care Association

**RACHAEL HOLLOWAY**

Lifelong Medical Center

**LEINAALA KANANA**

Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center

**LOIDA LEBRON**

Ocean Health Initiatives

**MORGAN LYNCH**

Katy Trail Community Health

**LANIE MASILAMANI**

Valley Health Systems

**LAJUAN MOUNTAIN**

Family First Health Corporation

**JOSEPH MOUNTAIN**

Family First Health Corporation

**ALEX NUNEZ**

La Maestra Community Health Centers

**LAURA WILLIFORD OWENS**

Carolina Family Health Centers

**LYNSEY RAY**

Wisconsin Primary Health Care Association

**HEIDI SABERS**

Lutheran Family Health Centers

**MEGAN SARNECKI**

Partnership Health Center

**SANDRA SILVA**

Greater Lawrence Family Health Center

**KATE SIMMONS**

Bi-State Primary Care Association

**MYRNA TORRESDEY**

La Maestra Family Clinic

**MIKE ZODUN**

Eastern Shore Rural Health System

\* Denotes 2010 Emerging Leader Award Finalist

## *Schedule of Events*

### **Welcome and Introduction**

#### **Ron Yee, MD, CMO**

Chief Medical Director at United Health Centers of the San Joaquin Valley and NACHC national board treasurer

#### **Anne Kauffman Nolon, MPH**

President & CEO of the Hudson River Healthcare and 2006 Geiger Gibson Distinguished Visitor in Community Health Policy

#### **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

### **Moderator for Roundtable**

#### **Dan Hawkins**

Senior Vice President for Public Policy and Research  
National Association of Community Health Centers

### **Roundtable Discussion**

#### **John Dittmer, PhD**

Professor Emeritus of History  
DePauw University

#### **Jack Geiger, MD, M.Sci**

Arthur C. Logan Professor  
Emeritus of Community Medicine  
City University of New York  
Medical School

#### **John W. Hatch, Dr.PH**

Kenan Professor Emeritus  
Health Behavior and Health Education  
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Public Health

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

#### **Ann Hathaway Peters, M.Sci**

Executive Director of Lamprey Health Care and 2008 Geiger Gibson Distinguished Visitor in Community Health

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

#### **Velma Hendershott, MPA**

President & CEO of InterCare Community Health Network and 2009 Geiger Gibson Distinguished Visitor in Community Health Policy

**Introduction of 2010 Geiger Gibson  
Distinguished Visitor in Community  
Health Policy and Presentation of  
award to RCHN**

**Recognition of Julio Bellber and  
RCHN Community Health  
Foundation**

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

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

**Julio Bellber**  
President and CEO  
RCHN Community Health Foundation

**Feygele Jacobs, MPH, MS**  
Chief Operating Office  
RCHN Community Health Foundation

## **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. One or more Emerging Leaders are 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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