# 2016 IAMAAT Conference: Effective Strategies for Treating Opioid Use Disorders

# Presenter Short Biographies in order of Program Agenda

## Maya Doe-Simkins, MPH

Maya Doe-Simkins has served as the Manager of Training and Technical Assistance for Heartland Health Outreach since 2012. She is a public health educator, researcher and consultant on topics such as transnational tuberculosis treatment, maternal mortality reduction, infectious disease prevention, substance abuse prevention and safer drug use, and most recently, overdose prevention. She has trained and written curricula for various audiences such as people who use drugs & their friends and family, medical and social work clinicians, and first responders. Maya has tailored information to a wide range of literacy and numeracy. She works with both grassroots and local & state governmental organizations to establish public health programs. She can support program implementation that is tailored to the specific local context. Maya's professional experiences continue to reinforce to her that public health is enhanced when social justice is improved.

#### Elizabeth Salisbury-Afshar, MD, MPH, FAAFP

Elizabeth Salisbury-Afshar currently serves as the medical director of Heartland Health Outreach. She attended Medical School Rush Medical College of Rush University Medical Center prior to returning to Chicago to become the medical director at Heartland Health Outreach. Dr. Salisbury-Afshar worked in Baltimore as the Medical Director for Behavioral Health System where she provided senior level medical and clinical management, participated in the development, implementation and monitoring of the citywide system of substance use prevention and treatment services and formulated, reviewed, and recommended medical and clinical practice policies and standards for the provision of city-wide substance use disorder treatment, intervention, and prevention services for adolescents and adults. In Baltimore, Dr. Salisbury-Afshar also oversaw the city's overdose prevention work including the development of a city-wide overdose prevention plan.

### Stanley McCracken, PhD, LCSW

Stanley McCracken is a Lecturer in the School of Social Service Administration. He is a licensed clinical social worker and a registered dual disorder professional. His practice and teaching interests lie in the areas of mental health, substance abuse, co-occurring disorders, multicultural mental health, aging, spirituality in social work practice, and dissemination and implementation of evidence-based practice. McCracken has taught courses in adult psychopathology and mental health treatment, substance abuse, clinical research, evidence-based clinical practice, the field case seminar, and will take over spirituality and social work practice. He is the program director for the Evidence-Based Practice concentration and for the Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Advanced Training Program (AODA-ATP).

He has published a number of articles and book chapters in such diverse areas as behavioral medicine, behavioral pharmacology, psychiatric rehabilitation, substance abuse, and evidence-based practice. He is coauthor of two books, *Practice guidelines for extended psychiatric care: From chaos to collaboration* and *Interactive staff training: Rehabilitation teams that work.* He has been on the editorial boards of the *Research in Social Work Practice, American Journal of Psychiatric Rehabilitation, Best Practices in Mental Health*, and *Journal of Muslim Mental Health.* He also is co-author of the Council on Social Work Education *Gero-Ed Advanced MSW curriculum in mental health and aging.* 

### Kenneth A. Smith, EdD., CADC

Dr. Kenneth A. Smith has worked in the field of human services and mental health for over 25 years with extensive experience as an addiction counselor, speaker, trainer and consultant. He earned his masters degree in counseling psychology at Adler University and earned a doctorate in education at National-Louis University.