

# Many Pathways of Recovery

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## Chantelle Allen - MSN, APRN, FNP-C Nurse Practitioner - Union Health

Chantelle Allen works at the Union Health Pain Management Center and obtained her Master's of Nursing degree from Indiana State University. She is a member of the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners, Academy of Integrative Pain Management, and the American Society of Addiction Medicine. She currently treats patients with chronic pain and uses medication assisted treatment to help those with addiction.



## Dr. Amnah Anwar - MPH, MBBS Epidemiologist - Indiana Rural Health Association

Dr. Anwar has been with Indiana Rural Health Association as the Epidemiologist for three years. She is currently working as the program director for Indiana Rural Opioid Consortium, which is a grant-funded program under Health Resources and Services Administration for combating the epidemic of opioid overdose deaths and morbidity in rural Indiana. She serves on the board of Indiana Immunization Coalition. She has Bachelor of Medicine and Surgery (MB; BS) from King Edward Medical University, Pakistan and Masters in Public Health (MPH) with a concentration in Epidemiology from Indiana University (IUPUI).



## Robert Childs

### Technical Expert Lead - JBS International, Inc.

Robert Childs, MPH is currently a Technical Expert Lead at JBS International, focusing on providing technical assistance on rural overdose prevention projects across the United States. Prior to working at JBS, Robert worked at North Carolina Harm Reduction Coalition's (NCHRC), serving as their Executive Director from 2009-2018 and oversaw the agency's operations, program implementation and innovation.



## Jay Christiansen

### **Extension Educator - Purdue Extension - Vigo County**

As an award-winning public health professional, Jay has had the opportunity to identify and solve the most pressing health issues in his community. Whether its fighting chronic diseases or developing prevention programs, Jay has proven to be skillful at identifying the needs of a community, designing and leading programs to help individuals make healthier decisions, and inspiring communities to make better health choices.



## Christy Crowder - BS, CAPRC II

### **Director - Wabash Valley Recovery Center**

Christy Crowder is a graduate of St. Mary-of-the-Woods College and is a Licenced Addictions Counselor Associate, Certified Peer Recovery Coach, and Licenced Practical Nurse. She is a mother of 3 wonderful children, and identifies as a person in long-term recovery from substance use disorder.



## Dax Duncan - NP-C

### **Nurse Practitioner - Union Health**

Daxton Duncan specializes in pain management at Union Health Pain Management Center. He completed his Bachelor of Science in Nursing as well as earned his Master of Science degree at Indiana State University in Terre Haute, Indiana. He is board certified by the American Association of Nurse Practitioners. He is a member of the American Academy of Pain Medicine and the Academy of Integrative Pain Management.



## Vanessa Durcholz

### **Peer Recovery Specialist - Wabash Valley Recovery Center**

Vanessa is a Certified Addictions Peer Recovery Coach, level 2 (CAPRC II) , and person in long-term recovery with an Associate's degree in Human Services with an Addictions Certificate from Ivy Tech. She is currently hard at work to obtain her undergraduate degree in Addictions Counseling. She spends her days working for the Wabash Valley Recovery Center and collaborating in partnership with the local domestic violence shelter, CODA, providing wrap-around services related to substance misuse and dependence, relationships and trauma, mental health, and family support.

# John Espeland - CADAC II, ICADC, CAPRC II, MATS

## Peer Recovery Specialist - Choices Consulting

John Espeland is a person in long-term recovery with over twelve years clean and sober. John is a substance abuse counselor at Choices Counseling and has recently started his own business, Espeland Counseling Inc. He is a Certified alcohol and drug addictions consultant, International Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor, Certified Addictions Peer Recovery Coach, Medication Assisted Treatment Specialist. He has an associate's degree in human services with a technical certificate. He is also certified in MRT and Truthoughts. My mission is to help as many people as possible on the road to recovery.



# Quinn Fox

## Probation Officer - Vermillion County Courthouse

Since graduating in '16 Quinn Fox has been a mental health technician at Harsha Behavioral Center, a correctional officer in the Vigo County Jail, a reserve police officer for West Terre Haute, IN, in DHS as a transportation security officer.



# Brandon Halleck

## COO - Chances and Services for Youth

When he's not providing children with the 5 fundamental "D's" of dodgeball (dodge, dive, dip, duck, and dodge), you'll find Brandon educating and enlightening children, teachers, and the community on risk and protective factors (and kinda how it relates to substance use). Forgoing his dream to be an archeologist/history teacher (thank you, Indiana Jones), Brandon has worked at CASY in a variety of positions and is currently the COO (he still has to mop the floor occasionally). Brandon is a certified prevention professional and has more than 20 years of experience prevention programming.



# Jennifer Hutchens - Psy.D., HSPP

## Union Health

Dr. Hutchens has a practical background that comes from working in Community Mental Health, Inpatient Care and private practice. She currently has competencies in Addictions, Adult Serious and Persistent Mental Illness, and Child and Adolescent Psychopathology. She has experience providing individual and group psychotherapy and psychological assessment for outpatient and inpatient clients experiencing various problems one might encounter





## Angela McAllister

### Clinical Supervisor - Groups Recover Together

Experienced Substance Abuse Counselor with a demonstrated history of working in the medical practice industry. Skilled in Medicated Assisted Treatment, Crisis Intervention, Case Management, Strategic Planning, Corporate Compliance, State and Federal Regulations, Public Speaking, Public Relations, Group Therapy, Customer Service, Mental Health, and Program Development. Strong healthcare services professional with a Master of Arts focused in Clinical Mental Health Counseling from Xavier University.



## David McIntyre - LCAC, MAT

### Licensed Clinical Addictions Counselor - Valley Professionals Community Health Center

Dave is a Licensed Clinical Addictions Counselor and is a certified Medically Assisted Treatment provider. Dave has worked in the field of addictions and mental health for over 30 years. In addition to providing clinical services, Dave has served as the Coordinator of Counselor Training Services at the Fairbanks Research and Training Institute, and worked as Training Specialist for the Indiana Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services.



## Josh Michael

### Sober Living Director – Odyssey House

Josh is a Sober Living Director with a demonstrated history of aiding individuals in the recovery community. Having conducted extensive research on addiction, recovery, and sober living while helping Gibault create their sober living program, and continues to help the Odyssey House Program evolve over the last 10 years. Josh serves on the Drug-Free Vigo County Executive Board and is a member of the Vigo County Drug Court Team. He graduated from Indiana State with a Bachelor's degree in Business Management and a Master's degree in Exercise Science.



## Jessica Nevill

### Clinical Director - WIN Recovery at Hamilton Center

Jessica Nevill is a Licensed Mental Health Counselor. Her primary area of focus for treatment has been in working with those who have experienced trauma. She is the clinical director for Hamilton Center's Opioid Treatment Program WIN Recovery and oversees the Hendricks, Knox, and Vigo County sites. Jessica has been with Hamilton Center for 11 years she is the chair of Hamilton Center's Learning Panel and the co-chair of Hamilton Center's Trauma-Informed Care Panel.

## Natasha Newcomb

### Executive Director of Addictions Substance Abuse Services - Hamilton Center

Natasha acquired a Bachelor of Social Work and a Master of Social Work from Indiana State University. She has extensive experience in the mental health field, holding positions which include Case Manager, Social Service Director, and Therapist. Prior to this, Natasha worked as a Therapist in Hamilton Center's Inpatient Unit where she assisted with crisis management, client advocacy, treatment planning, and addiction treatment.



## Michele Orndorff

### Director of Education - Mental Health America WCI

Michele Orndorff, a graduate of Indiana State University focused in Family and Consumer Science works as Director of Education at Mental Health America of West Central Indiana and has 20 years of experience providing services for positive mental health to youth and the community. She believes that there is hope in every moment and is available 24 hours of the day to anyone that needs it. She has a strong background in youth education implementing the Too Good For Drugs Program to over 25 elementary schools and over 4,000 children. She is passionate about No Fear Future Club where she promotes positive mental health to youth in middle and high schools. Throughout her years of experience, she has successfully delivered two well-known preventative media campaigns to the Wabash Valley and has re-established a coalition in Vigo County, Lost and Find, to decrease suicide.



## Richard Payonk

### Executive Director - United Way of the Wabash Valley

Richard Payonk is the Executive Director of the 6-county United Way of the Wabash Valley. He retired from a 30-year career in engineering management to pursue not-for-profit work in community-building. Prior to taking the Executive Director position, Richard served 9 years on the Board of Directors for this United Way, including the role of President of the Board. Additionally, he has facilitated Board Retreats and led the 2006 Strategic Plan development. Richard earned a B.S. degree in Chemical Engineering from the Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology in 1986.



## Michael Rentfro

### Employment Services and Peer Recovery Coach - Wabash Valley Recovery Center/Next Step Foundation

Michael Rentfro has multiple years of correctional law enforcement experience, correctional program development, and correctional training development. Michael is also a Peer Recovery Coach and a certified offender workforce development specialist at the Next Step Foundation.





# Dana Simons

## Executive Director - Next Step Foundation

Dana spent over 20 years in the software industry before becoming a co-founder of Next Step in 2011. She is from California and is a recent graduate of Indiana State University with a Masters in Social Work, with an emphasis in Mental Health and Addiction. Dana manages the operations and administration of the Next Step programs and also teaches many of the classes and facilitates many group meetings. She also provides individual mental health counseling.



# Dr. Jim Turner

## Physician - Union Health

Dr. Jim Turner, DO, is a family physician in rural practice for 30 years. He serves as the Medical Director of the Richard G. Lugar Center for Rural Health on the campus of Union Hospital in Terre Haute. He is a member of the Community Teaching Faculty for the IU School of Medicine and the Vigo County Board of Health. Dr Turner is Board Certified in Family Medicine and Addiction Medicine.



# Donnie Varnell

## Investigator - Dare County Sheriff's Office

Donnie is presently an investigator with the Dare County Sheriff's Office, where he also sits on several state level committees combating prescription and opioid drug abuse, and presenting content involved with these matters. Donnie continues to work with law enforcement agencies and policy makers in promoting and enacting harm reduction based programs such as syringe exchange programs and pre-arrest diversion concepts.

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