

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

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POSITION TITLE: Vice President, RWJBarnabas Health, Institute for Prevention and Recovery

EDUCATION/TRAINING (Begin with baccalaureate or other initial professional education, such as nursing, include postdoctoral training and residency training if applicable. Add/delete rows as necessary.)

INSTITUTION AND LOCATION	DEGREE (if applicable)	Completion Date MM/YYYY	FIELD OF STUDY
William Paterson University, Wayne, NJ	BS	05/2008	Public Health
Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ	Executive MPA	08/2023	Public Administration

A. Personal Statement

I am the Vice President at the RWJBarnabas Health (RWJBH) Institute for Prevention and Recovery (IFPR), a Fellow of the NJ Healthcare Executive Leadership Academy (FHELA), a Certified Health Education Specialist (CHES), a Certified Prevention Specialist (CPS), and have over 20 years of experience in the field of community health with a special focus on substance use prevention and recovery. I will serve as a collaborator on the Element E research project, *Translating Evidence on Opioid Overdose Prevention into Practice: Applying Translational Science to Strategies and Outcomes for Opioid Use Disorder Treatment Engagement Among Overdose Survivors*. In my current position, I provide executive oversight of all IFPR programs and services implemented by a team of 230 skilled and passionate professionals all working to address community health. I am the system Chairperson of the EPIC Social Care Workgroup that leads efforts to coordinate the implementation of all community-based services system-wide that utilize the electronic health record. I am a proud member of the multidisciplinary RWJBH Corporate Tackling Addiction Task Force (TATF), which is aimed at holistically addressing the chronic disease of addiction. TATF works to reduce the stigma associated with substance use disorder, increase the system’s capacity to prevent, diagnose and treat the disease, and coordinates all substance use-related education, training, policy development, and patient care.

In addition, I oversee NJ’s largest, state-funded Tobacco and Nicotine Recovery program which provides tobacco cessation services to almost 2000 patients per year; one of the largest hospital-based Peer Recovery Programs which has served over 75,000 patients with SUD by a team of 112 full-time certified peer recovery specialists, 12 clinical patient navigators, and 12 case managers; system-wide SDOH screening for patients in the Emergency Department through the QIP-NJ program; initiatives to expanded patient access to medication for opioid use disorder through a federally funded Bridge Clinic at Newark Beth Israel Medical Center and Clara Maas Medical Center through the SAMSHA Medication-Assisted Treatment – Prescription Drug and Opioid Addiction grant; and initiatives to expand access to services offered by doula and community health worker-trained certified recovery specialists for pregnant and recently delivered mothers with SUD through the Reducing Maternal Deaths due to SUD Grant, only 1 of 2 programs funded nationwide. My position within the RWJBH system as well as my experience overseeing evidence-based health practices and programs will contribute to the aims of this study, specifically identifying practices and strategies implemented throughout the health system. Further, my role coordinating the implementation of programs at numerous levels within the health system, working with hospital administrators, physicians, nurses, and peer navigators, will enable dissemination of successful, evidence-based strategies throughout the system and across sites.

B. Positions, Scientific Appointments, and Honors

2021 – present	Vice President, RWJBarnabas Health, Institute for Prevention and Recovery
2021 – present	Member, RWJBH Corporate Ending Racism Together Goal 3 Committee
2021 – present	Chair, RWJBH EPIC Social Care Workgroup
2021 – present	Member, RWJBH QIP-NJ Advisory Committee
2021 – present	Chair, National RISE Healthcare Workgroup on Social Determinants of Health
2020 – 2022	RWJBH System Executive Lead for integration and implementation of NowPow social services resource platform
2019 – 2022	Member, RWJBH Health Beyond the Hospital Social Care Executive Advisory Committee
2019	Fellow, New Jersey Healthcare Executive Leadership Academy
2017 – present	Member, RWJBH Corporate Tackling Addiction Task Force
2017 – 2021	Director of Prevention and Recovery, RWJBarnabas Health, Institute for Prevention and Recovery
2016 – 2017	Member, Union County Human Services Advisory Committee
2015 – 2018	Governor Appointed Member and Prevention Representative, NJ Behavioral Health Planning Council
2015 – 2017	Co-Chair, Union County Professional Advisory Committee on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse
2014 – 2017	Deputy Director and Chief Business Officer, Prevention Links
2012 – present	Member, New Jersey Prevention Network Thought Leaders Committee
2012 – 2017	Member, Union County Alliance Steering Sub-Committee
2009	Member, National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence – New Jersey Leadership in Advocacy Program Class
2008 – 2014	Director of Community Prevention, Prevention Links
2006 – present	Certified Member, New Jersey Certification Board Certified Prevention Specialist
2005 – present	Certified Member, National Commission for Health Education Credentialing
2005 – 2008	Project Director/Coalition Coordinator, Prevention Links
2001 – 2006	Resource Coordinator, Prevention Links

Honors

2009	Honored by Joint Legislature of New Jersey for Exemplary Leadership in the Field of Prevention and Addiction
2008	Recipient, President's Call to Service Award

C. Contributions to Science

For more than 20 years, I have utilized my expertise in strategic planning, contract, and administrative oversight, program development, and policy analysis and advocacy to holistically address addiction and substance use disorder. I have advocated locally and presented nationally to multiple stakeholders in the fields of prevention and recovery to reduce the stigma of substance use disorder and improve care in communities and health systems. I've also developed strategic partnerships across these fields, including a collaboration with the Center for Health Services Research at Rutgers to assess quality improvement measures related to substance use screening in the RWJBarnabas Health system.

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2. Liebling EJ, Kaplan G, Gordon AL, Perez JJS, Litterer MM. Recovery Support Services and Patient Navigation for Opioid Overdose Emergency Department Patients. 2021 APA Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, CA. May 1-5, 2021. Abstract no. 4203.
3. Liebling EJ, Kaplan G, Gordon AL, Perez JJS, Lanza VL, Litterer MM, Greene C. Recovery Support Services and Patient Navigation for Opioid Overdose Emergency Department Patients. 2020 APA Annual Meeting. Philadelphia, PA. April 25-29, 2020. Abstract no. 5627. (Conference canceled).
4. Litterer M, Liebling E, McIntire E. Tackling Addiction Together: Integrating Peer Recovery Services and Medical Interventions. New Jersey Association of Mental Health and Addiction Agencies Fall Behavioral Healthcare Conference. Edison, NJ. October 17, 2019.